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NEW HAMPSHIRE

The Gazebo on the front cover of this Town Report was constructed in 2020 and gifted to the Town by the Bennington Historical Society. This project was made possible starting in 2019 when voters accepted this gift of 1.9 acres of land at the corner of Main Street and Route 31. The property will be used for parking for the Town, Library, and Congregational Church as well as for passive recreation.

As a fundraiser for the project, the Historical Society sold memorial bricks for the walkway and to surround the Gazebo. If you are interested in purchasing a memorial brick, please contact the Bennington Historical Society at 588-4871 or e-mail bhs@basicisp.net

On behalf of the Community, the Selectmen salute the Historical Society for construction of this striking Gazebo to be used and admire for generations to come.

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BENNINGTON
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for the Year Ended December 31, 2020

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

	Term Expires
BOARD OF SELECTMEN	
James W. Cleary, Chair	March 2021
David P. Hardwick, Sr.	March 2022
David Foster	March 2023
CEMETERY TRUSTEES	
Melissa Clark	March 2021
Karen Belcher	March 2022
Joshua Segal, Chair	March 2023
Bethany Craig, Alternate	March 2021
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	
Jeanette Regis	March 2021
Jill Wilmoth, Chair	March 2022
Molly Eppig	March 2023
David McKenzie, Alternate	March 2021
MODERATOR	
John J. Cronin, III	March 2022
PLANNING BOARD	
David Hardwick Sr., Ex-Officio	March 2021
Donald Trow	March 2021
David McKenzie, Chair	March 2022
Luke Hardwick	March 2022
Sam Cohen, Vice-Chair	March 2023
SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE	
Linda Quintanilha	March 2021
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST	
Brenda Gibbons	March 2022
Victoria Turner, Chair	March 2024
Melissa Searles	March 2026
TOWN CLERK	
Debra Belcher	March 2022
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS	
Michael Munhall	March 2021
David Parker	March 2022
Bethany Craig	March 2023
WATER & SEWER COMMISSIONERS	
Mark Mackesy	March 2021
Richard Reed	March 2021
Dennis Mckenney	March 2022

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Jeffrey Rose 2021
Melissa Clark, Chair 2022
Michael Munhall 2022
Sam Cohen, Vice-Chair 2023
Chris Maple Alternate 2021

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

ADMINISTRATION

Administrator Kristie J. LaPlante
Deputy Administrator Denise P. French

BUILDING INSPECTOR/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER John Kendall

CHIEF OF POLICE Bret M. Sullivan

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Director Keith W. Nason
Assistant Director Kristie J. LaPlante

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief David Foster

HEALTH OFFICER John Kendall

HEALTH OFFICER, DEPUTY Debra Davidson

HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR Debra Davidson

LIBRARY DIRECTOR Leslie MacGregor

RECREATION

Co-Chairs Bethany and James Craig

ROAD AGENT Hazen Fisk, III

TAX COLLECTOR Kristie J. LaPlante

TOWN TREASURER Rhonda Davie

DEPUTY TOWN TREASURER Joyce Miner

APPOINTED COMMITTEE MEMBERS

	Term Expires
BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE	
John Baybutt	2021
Jon Charlonne	2021
Judith Heddy	2021
Tyler Howe	2021
Richard Reed	2021
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDING COMMITTEE	
James Cleary	2021
David Foster	2021
David Hardwick Sr.	2020
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
Gary MacKinnon	2021
Thomas James	2022
Michael Munhall, Chair	2022
Joseph MacGregor	2023
Jon Manley	2023
Stephen Willette	2023
Zack Allen (appointed January 5)	2024
HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE	
Bret Sullivan	2021
James Cleary	2021
Hazen Fisk, III	2021
NEWHALL PARK BOARD	
Brian Whittemore	2021
Gretchen Hutton	2022
David Parker	2023
SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE	
Hazen Fisk, III	2021
David Parker	2021
Jeffrey Rose	2021

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Molly Eppig, Peter Eppig, David McKenzie

RHUBARB FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

Bethany Craig, Molly Eppig, Thomas James, Laurie MacKeigan, Linda Osienski

Bennington

The inhabitants of the Town of Bennington in the County of Hillsborough in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the two phases of the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative Session):

Date:	February 1, 2021
Time:	7:00 p.m.
Location:	Pierce Elementary School; 19 Main Street
Details:	Snow Date is February 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date:	March 9, 2021
Time:	8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Location:	Pierce Elementary School; 19 Main Street
Details:	

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before January 25, 2021, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at Bennington Town Hall and that an original was delivered to Town Clerk.

Name	Position	Signature
James w Cleary	Selectman	James w Cleary
David p Hardwicker Sr	Selectman	David p Hardwicker
Dave Foster	Selectman	

Article 01 **To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year**

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 02 **Operating Budget**

Shall the Town of Bennington raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling one million, seven hundred ninety thousand, four hundred eighty eight dollars ($1,790,488)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be one million, seven hundred eighty four thousand, three hundred fifty five dollars ($1,784,355), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Article 03 **Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars ($25,000) to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 04 **Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) to be added to the Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 05 **Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 06 **Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars ($40,000) to be added to the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 07 **Mower Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) to be added to the Mower Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 08 **Town Buildings Expendable Trust Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars ($25,000) to be added to the Town Buildings Expendable Trust Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 09 **Dodge Memorial Library Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000) to be added to the Dodge Memorial Library Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 10 **Road Rehabilitation Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) to be added to the Road Rehabilitation Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 11 **Water Dept Maintenance/Repairs Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars ($25,000) to be added to the Water Department Maintenance & Repairs Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 12 **Sidewalk Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) to be added to the Sidewalk Capital Reserve Fund previously established
Recommended by Selectmen

Article 13 **Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) to be added to the Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 14 **Fire Department SCBA Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) to be added to the Fire Department Breathing Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 15 **Fire Dept Protective Gear Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000) to be added to the Fire Department Protective Gear Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 16 **Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 17 **Deferred Road Maintenance**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of forty five thousand dollars ($45,000) to provide additional Highway Department funds to address deferred road maintenance?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 18 **Cardiac Monitor**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the amount of thirty-two thousand dollars ($32,000) for the purchase of a CardiacMonitor for the Fire Department?
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 19 **Timber Sales to Conservation Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the amount of six thousand one hundred seventy seven dollars ($6,177) from unassigned fund balance to be deposited in the Conservation Commission Fund, said amount representing 50% of the income derived from Timber Tax revenue in the preceding year?
Recommended by the Conservation Commission

Article 20 **Gravel Sales to Conservation Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the amount of three hundred eighty nine dollars ($389) from unassigned fund balance to be deposited in the Conservation Commission Fund, said amount representing 50% of the income derived from Excavation Tax revenue in the preceding year?
Recommended by the Conservation Commission

Article 21 **End 68 Hours of Hunger**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) in support of "End 68 Hours of Hunger" - a nonprofit regional organization?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 22 **The Grapevine & Family Resource Center**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000) in support of The Grapevine Family & Community Resource Center - a nonprofit organization? The appropriation would provide $4,000 funding for The Grapevine Family & Resource Center and $2,000 funding for The Teen Center's programs and services.
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 23 **Community Volunteer Transportation Company**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars ($500) in support of the Community Volunteer Transportation Company - a nonprofit organization?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 24 **Court Appointed Special Advocates**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars ($600) in support of the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) - a nonprofit organization?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 25 **Child Advocacy Center**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of eleven hundred dollars ($1,100) in support of the Child Advocacy Center of Hillsborough County (CAC) - a nonprofit organization?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 26 **Contoocook Housing Trust**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars ($300) in support of the Contoocook Housing Trust - a nonprofit organization?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 27 **American Red Cross**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred dollars ($700) in support of the American Red Cross - a nonprofit organization?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 29 **Hundred Nights Shelter**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars ($500) in support of Hundred Nights Shelter - a nonprofit organization?
Recommended by the Selectmen

Proposed Budget

Bennington

For the period beginning January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021

Form Due Date: **20 Days after the Annual Meeting**

This form was posted with the warrant on: January 25, 2021

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Name	Position	Signature
James W Cleary	Selectman	James W Cleary
David P Hardwicker	selectman	David P Hardwicker
Dave Foster	Selectma	

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http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2020	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2020	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021 (Recommended)	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021 (Not Recommended)
General Government						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		$0	$0	$0	$0
4130-4139	Executive	02	$200,548	$212,988	$213,582	$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	02	$41,835	$42,416	$41,687	$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	02	$48,045	$43,111	$43,193	$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	02	$14,039	$18,860	$12,455	$0
4153	Legal Expense	02	$3,320	$6,200	$6,200	$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	02	$21,054	$21,243	$19,964	$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	02	$3,138	$5,238	$5,238	$0
4194	General Government Buildings	02	$62,221	$68,702	$65,003	$0
4195	Cemeteries	02	$11,369	$15,475	$16,475	$0
4196	Insurance	02	$27,137	$27,137	$28,740	$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association		$0	$0	$0	$0
4199	Other General Government		$0	$0	$0	$0
	General Government Subtotal		**$432,706**	**$461,370**	**$452,537**	**$0**
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	02	$343,370	$367,314	$362,311	$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	02	$20,000	$20,000	$25,000	$0
4220-4229	Fire	02	$64,302	$70,935	$72,498	$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	02	$2,609	$3,415	$3,415	$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	02	$3,798	$1,302	$3,920	$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)		$0	$0	$0	$0
	Public Safety Subtotal		**$434,079**	**$462,966**	**$467,144**	**$0**
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		$0	$0	$0	$0
	Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal		**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Highways and Streets						
4311	Administration	02	$265,251	$283,420	$260,699	$0
4312	Highways and Streets	02	$127,165	$149,500	$158,500	$0
4313	Bridges		$0	$0	$0	$0
4316	Street Lighting	02	$6,116	$7,000	$6,500	$0
4319	Other		$0	$0	$0	$0
	Highways and Streets Subtotal		**$398,532**	**$439,920**	**$425,699**	**$0**

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2020	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2020	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021 (Recommended)	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021 (Not Recommended)
Sanitation						
4321	Administration	02	$35,181	$37,535	$42,930	$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection	02	$0	$1,250	$1,250	$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	02	$65,618	$68,100	$70,100	$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	02	$4,338	$12,000	$4,800	$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal	02	$54,672	$61,750	$54,300	$0
4329	Other Sanitation	02	$1,341	$800	$800	$0
	Sanitation Subtotal		**$161,150**	**$181,435**	**$174,180**	**$0**
Water Distribution and Treatment						
4331	Administration	02	$35,645	$40,290	$40,290	$0
4332	Water Services	02	$11,001	$13,100	$11,300	$0
4335	Water Treatment	02	$7,987	$6,000	$6,000	$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		$0	$0	$0	$0
	Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal		**$54,633**	**$59,390**	**$57,590**	**$0**
Electric						
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		$0	$0	$0	$0
4353	Purchase Costs		$0	$0	$0	$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		$0	$0	$0	$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		$0	$0	$0	$0
	Electric Subtotal		**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Health						
4411	Administration	02	$0	$102	$102	$0
4414	Pest Control	02	$0	$200	$200	$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	02	$5,845	$5,845	$5,845	$0
	Health Subtotal		**$5,845**	**$6,147**	**$6,147**	**$0**
Welfare						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	02	$2,706	$11,330	$11,330	$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	02	$850	$850	$935	$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	02	$11,917	$14,002	$3,302	$0
	Welfare Subtotal		**$15,473**	**$26,182**	**$15,567**	**$0**
Culture and Recreation						
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	02	$28,469	$33,460	$33,460	$0
4550-4559	Library	02	$141,373	$150,338	$150,000	$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	02	$700	$700	$700	$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	02	$2,000	$2,001	$2,400	$0
	Culture and Recreation Subtotal		**$172,542**	**$186,499**	**$186,560**	**$0**

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2020	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2020	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021 (Recommended)	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021 (Not Recommended)
Conservation and Development						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	02	$250	$931	$931	$0
4619	Other Conservation	02	$590	$13,666	$1,133	$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		$0	$0	$0	$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		$0	$0	$0	$0
	Conservation and Development Subtotal		**$840**	**$14,597**	**$2,064**	**$0**
Debt Service						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal		$0	$0	$0	$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest		$0	$0	$0	$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	02	$0	$3,000	$3,000	$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		$0	$0	$0	$0
	Debt Service Subtotal		**$0**	**$3,000**	**$3,000**	**$0**
Capital Outlay						
4901	Land		$0	$0	$0	$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		$0	$0	$0	$0
4903	Buildings		$0	$0	$0	$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		$45,000	$45,000	$0	$0
	Capital Outlay Subtotal		**$45,000**	**$45,000**	**$0**	**$0**
Operating Transfers Out						
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		$0	$0	$0	$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		$0	$0	$0	$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		$0	$0	$0	$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		$0	$0	$0	$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		$0	$0	$0	$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		$0	$0	$0	$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		$0	$0	$0	$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		$0	$0	$0	$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		$0	$0	$0	$0
	Operating Transfers Out Subtotal		**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
	Total Operating Budget Appropriations				**$1,790,488**	**$0**

Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021 (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	03	$25,000	$0
		Purpose: *Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	04	$2,500	$0
		Purpose: *Rescue Vehicle CRF*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	05	$12,000	$0
		Purpose: *Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	06	$40,000	$0
		Purpose: *Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	07	$1,000	$0
		Purpose: *Mower Capital Reserve Fund*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	09	$5,000	$0
		Purpose: *Dodge Memorial Library Capital Reserve Fund*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	10	$15,000	$0
		Purpose: *Road Rehabilitation Capital Reserve Fund*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	11	$25,000	$0
		Purpose: *Water Dept Maintenance/Repairs CRF*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	12	$1,000	$0
		Purpose: *Sidewalk Capital Reserve Fund*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	14	$2,000	$0
		Purpose: *Fire Department SCBA Capital Reserve Fund*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	15	$6,000	$0
		Purpose: *Fire Dept Protective Gear Capital Reserve Fu*		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	16	$12,000	$0
		Purpose: *Revaluation CRF*		
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	08	$25,000	$0
		Purpose: *Town Buildings Expendable Trust Fund*		
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	13	$10,000	$0
		Purpose: *Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund*		
	Total Proposed Special Articles		**$181,500**	**$0**

Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021 (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4220-4229	Fire	18	$1	$0
	Purpose: *Cardiac Monitor*			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	27	$700	$0
	Purpose: *American Red Cross*			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	26	$300	$0
	Purpose: *Contoocook Housing Trust*			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	21	$1,000	$0
	Purpose: *End 68 Hours of Hunger*			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	29	$500	$0
	Purpose: *Hundred Nights Shelter*			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	24	$600	$0
	Purpose: *Court Appointed Special Advocates*			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	23	$500	$0
	Purpose: *Community Volunteer Transportation Company*			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	25	$1,100	$0
	Purpose: *Child Advocacy Center*			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	22	$6,000	$0
	Purpose: *The Grapevine & Family Resource Center*			
4619	Other Conservation	20	$389	$0
	Purpose: *Gravel Sales to Conservation Fund*			
4619	Other Conservation	19	$6,177	$0
	Purpose: *Timber Sales to Conservation Fund*			
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	17	$45,000	$0
	Purpose: *Deferred Road Maintenance*			
	Total Proposed Individual Articles		**$62,267**	**$0**

Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2020	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2020	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2021
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund	02	$0	$2,000	$2,000
3180	Resident Tax		$0	$0	$0
3185	Yield Tax	02	$12,229	$12,000	$10,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	02	$500	$500	$500
3187	Excavation Tax	02	$777	$1,000	$1,000
3189	Other Taxes		$0	$0	$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	02	$24,161	$25,000	$40,000
9991	Inventory Penalties	02	$7,500	$7,500	$7,500
	Taxes Subtotal		**$45,167**	**$48,000**	**$61,000**
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	02	$5,250	$500	$700
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	02	$300,812	$320,000	$310,000
3230	Building Permits	02	$8,862	$7,000	$4,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	02	$5,326	$6,000	$6,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government		$0	$0	$0
	Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal		**$320,250**	**$333,500**	**$320,700**
State Sources					
3351	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues		$25,076	$25,076	$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	02	$75,347	$75,347	$75,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	02	$44,757	$44,762	$45,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		$0	$0	$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		$0	$0	$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		$0	$0	$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		$0	$0	$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		$0	$0	$0
3379	From Other Governments		$14,506	$15,000	$0
	State Sources Subtotal		**$159,686**	**$160,185**	**$120,000**
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	02	$12,809	$10,000	$12,000
3409	Other Charges		$0	$0	$0
	Charges for Services Subtotal		**$12,809**	**$10,000**	**$12,000**
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	02	$6,900	$8,000	$1,000
3502	Interest on Investments	02	$2,205	$2,500	$2,500
3503-3509	Other	02	$8,115	$8,000	$12,000
	Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal		**$17,220**	**$18,500**	**$15,500**

Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2020	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2020	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2021
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		$0	$0	$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		$0	$0	$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		$0	$0	$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		$0	$0	$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		$0	$0	$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)	02	$39,673	$42,000	$42,000
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)	02	$73,981	$74,000	$74,000
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		$0	$0	$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		$0	$0	$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		$0	$0	$0
	Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal		**$113,654**	**$116,000**	**$116,000**
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		$0	$0	$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	20, 19	$0	$0	$6,566
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		$0	$0	$0
	Other Financing Sources Subtotal		**$0**	**$0**	**$6,566**
	Total Estimated Revenues and Credits		**$668,786**	**$686,185**	**$651,766**

Budget Summary

Item	Period ending 12/31/2021
Operating Budget Appropriations	$1,790,488
Special Warrant Articles	$181,500
Individual Warrant Articles	$62,267
Total Appropriations	$2,034,255
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	$651,766
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	**$1,382,489**

Default Budget of the Municipality

Bennington

For the period beginning January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021

RSA 40:13, IX (b) "Default budget" as used in this subdivision means the amount of the same appropriations as contained in the operating budget authorized for the previous year, reduced and increased, as the case may be, by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law, and reduced by one-time expenditures contained in the operating budget. For the purposes of this paragraph, one-time expenditures shall be appropriations not likely to recur in the succeeding budget, as determined by the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, of the local political subdivision.

This form was posted with the warrant on: January 25, 2021

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Name	Position	Signature
James W Cleary	Selectman	James W Cleary
David P Hardwick Sr.	Selectman	David P Hardwick
Dave Foster	Selectman	

This form must be signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal:
https://www.proptax.org/

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Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Prior Year Adopted Budget	Reductions or Increases	One-Time Appropriations	Default Budget
General Government					
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining	$0	$0	$0	$0
4130-4139	Executive	$212,988	$2,560	($2,206)	$213,342
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	$42,416	$1,846	($3,210)	$41,052
4150-4151	Financial Administration	$43,111	$82	$0	$43,193
4152	Revaluation of Property	$18,860	$95	($6,000)	$12,955
4153	Legal Expense	$6,200	$0	$0	$6,200
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	$21,243	$0	($1,279)	$19,964
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	$5,238	$0	$0	$5,238
4194	General Government Buildings	$68,702	$200	($4,399)	$64,503
4195	Cemeteries	$15,475	$0	$0	$15,475
4196	Insurance	$27,137	$1,603	$0	$28,740
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	$0	$0	$0	$0
4199	Other General Government	$0	$0	$0	$0
	General Government Subtotal	**$461,370**	**$6,386**	**($17,094)**	**$450,662**
Public Safety					
4210-4214	Police	$367,314	$4,026	($6,377)	$364,963
4215-4219	Ambulance	$20,000	$5,000	$0	$25,000
4220-4229	Fire	$70,935	$1,509	$0	$72,444
4240-4249	Building Inspection	$3,415	$0	$0	$3,415
4290-4298	Emergency Management	$1,302	$2,668	$0	$3,970
4299	Other (Including Communications)	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Public Safety Subtotal	**$462,966**	**$13,203**	**($6,377)**	**$469,792**
Airport/Aviation Center					
4301-4309	Airport Operations	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Highways and Streets					
4311	Administration	$283,420	$5,265	($28,386)	$260,299
4312	Highways and Streets	$149,500	$0	$0	$149,500
4313	Bridges	$0	$0	$0	$0
4316	Street Lighting	$7,000	$0	$0	$7,000
4319	Other	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Highways and Streets Subtotal	**$439,920**	**$5,265**	**($28,386)**	**$416,799**

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Prior Year Adopted Budget	Reductions or Increases	One-Time Appropriations	Default Budget
Sanitation					
4321	Administration	$37,535	$5,390	$0	$42,925
4323	Solid Waste Collection	$1,250	$0	$0	$1,250
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	$68,100	$2,000	$0	$70,100
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	$12,000	$0	($7,200)	$4,800
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal	$61,750	$0	($7,450)	$54,300
4329	Other Sanitation	$800	$0	$0	$800
	Sanitation Subtotal	**$181,435**	**$7,390**	**($14,650)**	**$174,175**
Water Distribution and Treatment					
4331	Administration	$40,290	$0	$0	$40,290
4332	Water Services	$13,100	$200	$0	$13,300
4335	Water Treatment	$6,000	$0	$0	$6,000
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal	**$59,390**	**$200**	**$0**	**$59,590**
Electric					
4351-4352	Administration and Generation	$0	$0	$0	$0
4353	Purchase Costs	$0	$0	$0	$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance	$0	$0	$0	$0
4359	Other Electric Costs	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Electric Subtotal	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Health					
4411	Administration	$102	$0	$0	$102
4414	Pest Control	$200	$0	$0	$200
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	$5,845	$0	$0	$5,845
	Health Subtotal	**$6,147**	**$0**	**$0**	**$6,147**
Welfare					
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	$11,330	$0	$0	$11,330
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	$850	$85	$0	$935
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	$3,302	$0	$0	$3,302
	Welfare Subtotal	**$15,482**	**$85**	**$0**	**$15,567**
Culture and Recreation					
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	$33,460	$0	$0	$33,460
4550-4559	Library	$150,338	$1,251	($1,589)	$150,000
4583	Patriotic Purposes	$700	$0	$0	$700
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	$2,001	$399	$0	$2,400
	Culture and Recreation Subtotal	**$186,499**	**$1,650**	**($1,589)**	**$186,560**

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Prior Year Adopted Budget	Reductions or Increases	One-Time Appropriations	Default Budget
Conservation and Development					
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	$931	$0	$0	$931
4619	Other Conservation	$1,133	$0	$0	$1,133
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing	$0	$0	$0	$0
4651-4659	Economic Development	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Conservation and Development Subtotal	**$2,064**	**$0**	**$0**	**$2,064**
Debt Service					
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	$0	$0	$0	$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	$0	$0	$0	$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	$3,000	$0	$0	$3,000
4790-4799	Other Debt Service	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Debt Service Subtotal	**$3,000**	**$0**	**$0**	**$3,000**
Capital Outlay					
4901	Land	$0	$0	$0	$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	$0	$0	$0	$0
4903	Buildings	$0	$0	$0	$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Capital Outlay Subtotal	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Operating Transfers Out					
4912	To Special Revenue Fund	$0	$0	$0	$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund	$0	$0	$0	$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport	$0	$0	$0	$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric	$0	$0	$0	$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other	$0	$0	$0	$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer	$0	$0	$0	$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water	$0	$0	$0	$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	$0	$0	$0	$0
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Operating Transfers Out Subtotal	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
	Total Operating Budget Appropriations	**$1,818,273**	**$34,179**	**($68,096)**	**$1,784,356**

Reasons for Reductions/Increases & One-Time Appropriations

Account	Explanation
4311	Increases: Change in staffing, employee benefits, roadway signage; Decreases: 53rd pay period, change in staffing, new phone/internet contract, insurance claim
4321	Change in staffing
4215-4219	Ambulance contract
4140-4149	Increases: '20 one time decrease in discretionary hours; Decreases: 53rd pay period and number of elections
4290-4298	State of Emergency
4130-4139	Increases: Employee benefits; Decreases: 53rd pay period, change in phone/internet provider
4150-4151	Software support
4220-4229	Dispatch costs
4194	Increase: added Gazebo to electric; Decrease: closure of VFW, reduction in oil/propane
4196	Rate increase property/liability insurance
4444	Increase in residents using Meals on Wheels Program
4550-4559	Increases: Employee benefits; Decreases: 53rd pay period
4589	Increase: Billing error
4155-4159	Premium holiday credits
4210-4214	Increases: Employee benefits; Decreases: 53rd pay period, Regional Prosecutor agreement
4152	Increase: software support; Decrease: Eversource BTLA appeals done
4326-4328	Contractual costs, new monitoring program, sewer manhole project completed
4325	DES obligations completed
4324	Waste disposal contract
4332	New monitoring program

New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

2020
MS-1

Bennington
Summary Inventory of Valuation

Reports Required: RSA 21-J:34 as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon reports prescribed for that purpose.

Note: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/towns tax assessments and sworn to uphold under Oath per RSA 75:7.

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John Hatfield (Commerford, Neider, Perkins)

Name	Position	Signature
JAMES W. CLEARY	SELECTMAN	
DAVID P. HARDWICK SR.	SELECTMAN	
DAVID FOSTER	SELECTMAN	

Name	Phone	Email
Kristie LaPlante	588-2189	klaplante@townofbennington.com

Preparer's Signature

Land Value Only		Acres	Valuation
1A	Current Use RSA 79-A	4,650.97	$388,439
1B	Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B	0.00	$0
1C	Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	0.00	$0
1D	Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D	0.00	$0
1E	Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F	0.00	$0
1F	Residential Land	1,761.40	$27,670,400
1G	Commercial/Industrial Land	262.00	$2,890,200
1H	**Total of Taxable Land**	**6,674.37**	**$30,949,039**
1I	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land	287.29	$1,879,700

Buildings Value Only		Structures	Valuation
2A	Residential	0	$79,896,000
2B	Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31	0	$1,730,700
2C	Commercial/Industrial	0	$13,348,900
2D	Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D	0	$0
2E	Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F	0	$0
2F	**Total of Taxable Buildings**	**0**	**$94,975,600**
2G	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings	0	$7,317,800

Utilities & Timber		Valuation
3A	Utilities	$3,533,000
3B	Other Utilities	$0
4	Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5	$0

5	**Valuation before Exemption**	**$129,457,639**

Exemptions		Total Granted	Valuation
6	Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a	0	$0
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b V	0	$0
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a	0	$0
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23-IV	0	$0
10A	Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12	0	$0
10B	Utility Water & Air Polution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a	0	$0

11	**Modified Assessed Value of All Properties**	**$129,457,639**

Optional Exemptions		Amount Per	Total	Valuation
12	Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	$15,000	0	$0
13	Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a,b	$0	13	$725,000
14	Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b	$0	0	$0
15	Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	$0	0	$0
16	Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	$0	0	$0
17	Solar Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:62	$0	6	$80,500
18	Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	$0	0	$0
19	Additional School Dining/Dorm/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23	$0	0	$0
19A	Electric Energy Storage Systems RSA 72:85	$0	0	$0

20	**Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions**	**$805,500**
21A	**Net Valuation**	**$128,652,139**
21B	**Less TIF Retained Value**	**$0**
21C	**Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value**	**$128,652,139**
21D	**Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption**	**$0**
21E	**Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value and Comm/Ind Construction**	**$128,652,139**
22	**Less Utilities**	**$3,533,000**
23A	**Net Valuation without Utilities**	**$125,119,139**
23B	**Net Valuation without Utilities, Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value**	**$125,119,139**

Utility Value Appraisers

New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

Brian D. Fogg

The municipality **DOES NOT** use DRA utility values. The municipality **IS NOT** equalized by the ratio.

Electric Company Name	Distr.	Distr. (Other)	Gen.	Trans.	Valuation
MONADNOCK PAPER MILLS INC	$0	$0	$0	$0	$463,000
PSNH DBA EVERSOURCE ENERGY	$0	$0	$0	$0	$3,070,000
	$0	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$3,533,000**

Veteran's Tax Credits	Limits	Number	Est. Tax Credits
Veterans' Tax Credit RSA 72:28	$500	68	$33,080
Surviving Spouse RSA 72:29-a	$700	0	$0
Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability RSA 72:35	$2,000	5	$10,000
All Veterans Tax Credit RSA 72:28-b	$0	0	$0
Combat Service Tax Credit RSA 72:28-c	$0	0	$0
		73	$43,080

Deaf & Disabled Exemption Report

Deaf Income Limits	
Single	$0
Married	$0

Deaf Asset Limits	
Single	$0
Married	$0

Disabled Income Limits	
Single	$0
Married	$0

Disabled Asset Limits	
Single	$0
Married	$0

Elderly Exemption Report

First-time Filers Granted Elderly Exemption for the Current Tax Year

Age	Number
65-74	0
75-79	0
80+	0

Total Number of Individuals Granted Elderly Exemptions for the Current Tax Year and Total Number of Exemptions Granted

Age	Number	Amount	Maximum	Total
65-74	3	$25,000	$75,000	$75,000
75-79	4	$50,000	$200,000	$200,000
80+	6	$75,000	$450,000	$450,000
	13		$725,000	$725,000

Income Limits	
Single	$27,500
Married	$39,500

Asset Limits	
Single	$75,000
Married	$75,000

Has the municipality adopted Community Tax Relief Incentive? (RSA 79-E)

Granted/Adopted? No Structures:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Certain Chartered Public School Facilities? (RSA 79-H)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Qualifying Historic Buildings? (RSA 79-G)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted the optional commercial and industrial construction exemption? (RSA 72:76-78 or RSA 72:80-83)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Percent of assessed value attributable to new construction to be exempted:

Total Exemption Granted:

Has the municipality granted any credits under the low-income housing tax credit tax program? (RSA 75:1-a)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Assessed value prior to effective date of RSA 75:1-a:

Current Assessed Value:

Current Use RSA 79-A	Total Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	190.84	$57,205
Forest Land	2,663.43	$238,050
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	1,416.95	$84,877
Unproductive Land	169.48	$3,766
Wet Land	210.27	$4,541
	4,650.97	**$388,439**

Other Current Use Statistics		
Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	**Acres:**	1,967.87
Total Number of Acres Removed from Current Use During Current Tax Year	**Acres:**	0.00
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	**Owners:**	80
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	**Parcels:**	150

Land Use Change Tax			
Gross Monies Received for Calendar Year			$0
Conservation Allocation	**Percentage:** 50.00%	**Dollar Amount:**	$0
Monies to Conservation Fund			$0
Monies to General Fund			$0

Conservation Restriction Assessment Report RSA 79-B	Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	0.00	$0
Forest Land	0.00	$0
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	0.00	$0
Unproductive Land	0.00	$0
Wet Land	0.00	$0
	0.00	**$0**

Other Conservation Restriction Assessment Statistics		
Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	**Acres:**	0.00
Total Number of Acres Removed from Conservation Restriction During Current Tax Year	**Acres:**	0.00
Owners in Conservation Restriction	**Owners:**	0
Parcels in Conservation Restriction	**Parcels:**	0

Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	Acres	Owners	Assessed Valuation
	0.00	0	$0

Taxation of Farm Structures and Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F

Number Granted	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
0	0	0.00	$0	$0

Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D

Owners	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
0	0	0.00	$0	$0

Map	Lot	Block	%	Description
This municipality has no Discretionary Preservation Easements.				

Tax Increment Financing District	Date	Original	Unretained	Retained	Current
This municipality has no TIF districts.					

Revenues Received from Payments in Lieu of Tax	Revenue	Acres
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreational and/or land from MS-434, account 3356 and 3357	$0.00	0.00
White Mountain National Forest only, account 3186	$0.00	0.00

Payments in Lieu of Tax from Renewable Generation Facilities (RSA 72:74)	Amount
This municipality has not adopted RSA 72:74 or has no applicable PILT sources.	

Other Sources of Payments in Lieu of Taxes (MS-434 Account 3186)	Amount
Town of Antrim	$500
	$500

Notes

TOWN OF BENNINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 5, 2020 TOWN MEETING
DELIBERATIVE SESSION-SESSION 1
AND
MARCH 10, 2020 TOWN ELECTION RESULTS-SESSION 2

Session 1 of the 2020 Bennington Town Meeting convened on February 5, 2020 at the Pierce School Library in Bennington New Hampshire. John J. Cronin III, the Town Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

The meeting was opened with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. The Moderator, as mandated under Senate Bill 2, which the Town of Bennington adopted on March 12, 1996, briefly explained the procedures and rules of conduct for the Deliberative Session. Each warrant article will be read and discussed and any amendments proposed from the floor must be submitted in writing to the Moderator. It was noted that the articles will be heard out of order hearing article # 23 first followed by article #24.

All voting on the Warrant Articles, Town and School District Officials, and the Conval School District Warrant Articles will be voted on at the polls on March 10, 2020 at Pierce School in Bennington, New Hampshire. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Bennington in the County of Hillsborough in the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in town affairs are hereby notified and warned that the two phases of the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative Session):
Date: February 5, 2020
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Pierce Elementary School Library
Details: 19 Main Street

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)
Date: March 10, 2020
Time: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Location: Pierce Elementary School
Details: 19 Main Street

Note: The casting of absentee ballots will begin at 2:00 p.m. The polls will close at 7:00 p.m.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Selectman (3 years)	David Foster
Library Trustee (3 years)	Mary D F Eppig
Cemetery Trustee (3 years)	Joshua Segal
Planning Board (3 years)	Sam Cohen
Trustee of Trust Funds (3 years)	Bethany Craig
Water and Sewer Commissioner (3 years)	vacant
Zoning Board of Adjustment (3 years)	Sam Cohen
Zoning Board of Adjustment (2 years)	Michael Munhall

When the polls opened at 8:00 a.m., the Voter Checklist contained 1115 registered voters. During Election Day, no new voters were added to the checklist. When the polls closed at 7:00 p.m., the Voters Checklist contained 1115 voters. A total of 199 voters cast their ballots in this election, which was an 18% voter turnout.

The Deliberative Town Meeting, Session 1 was attended by 25 registered voters

The Moderator initiated the following articles:

23. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000) in support of The Grapevine Family & Community Resource Center - a nonprofit organization? The appropriation would provide $4,000 funding for The Grapevine Family & Resource Center and $2,000 funding for The Teen Center's programs and services.

Note: Melissa Gallagher, Director of The Grapevine spoke to the article noting the many services provided by The Grapevine. In the past year, 173 Bennington residents have taken advantage of parent support and children groups that are offered by the Grapevine. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 148 NO- 45
THE ARTICLE PASSED

24. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars ($500) in support of the Community Volunteer Transportation Company - a nonprofit organization?

Note: Margaret Gurney, Community Volunteer Transportation Company representative, spoke to the article noting the many services they provide. Last year they received 137 ride requests from 8 Bennington residents. She thanked Bennington for their support. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 146 NO- 46
THE ARTICLE PASSED

2. Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance to reflect grammatical revisions as stated in "Draft 3 - Sam Cohen 9/13/19"? All proposed grammatical revisions are available on the Town's website or at Bennington Town Hall.

Note: Selectman Cleary addressed the article noting an amendment to the article for grammatical revisions to the Zoning articles. This is a 54-page document that is available on the Town website and at the Town Hall. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES-133 NO-47
THE ARTICLE PASSED

3. Shall the town adopt the provisions of RSA 72:61-64 inclusively, which provide for an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, for persons owning real property, which is equipped with solar energy systems intended for use at the immediate site. Such property tax exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100 % of the assessed value of qualifying solar energy system equipment under these statutes. (Majority vote required)

 Note: Selectman Mackesy spoke to the article. Administrator LaPlante clarified that the tax exemption is for power used at the residence or at that property. Concerns were expressed if it would offset the Town budget. It will not, but the property will be taxed on this infrastructure. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

 2020 RESULTS: YES- 124 NO- 67
 THE ARTICLE PASSED

4. Shall the Town of Bennington raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling one million, eight hundred eighteen thousand, two hundred seventy-three dollars ($1,818,273)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be one million, eight hundred fifteen thousand, four hundred thirty-eight dollars ($1,815,438), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

 Note: Selectmen Cleary spoke to the article noting increases due to personnel changes and 53 pay periods during 2020. Robyn Clough noted that there is a big increase in the Highway Department and asked for clarification as there were $386,000 expended last year and they were asking for $439,000. Administrator LaPlante noted that there were staffing and administration shortages last year and there would be increases in health insurance due to staffing changes. The Highway department also had problems over the winter with bad fuel, while the insurance will cover a portion, the Town will be

responsible for a percentage of the bill. Robyn Clough asked if employees pay for health insurance. There is no cost to employees.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 137 NO- 54
THE ARTICLE PASSED

5. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectman Mackesy spoke to the article noting that the there is currently $3228,215.01 in the fund. Administrator LaPlante noted that a new truck is approximately $495,000. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 138 NO- 52
THE ARTICLE PASSED

6. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) to be added to the Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectmen Cleary spoke to the article noting that the current rescue was purchased in 2009. There is currently $47,585.99 in the fund.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 147 NO-44
THE ARTICLE PASSED

7. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectman Mackesy spoke to the article noting that the police cruiser was replaced in 2019. There is currently $10,705.09 in the fund. David Parker asked what will happen with the old cruiser. Hancock will be purchasing the cruiser for $500. Robyn Clough asked about the equipment in the cruiser. The equipment was donated to the Town and will not be removed from the cruiser. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES-127 NO-65
THE ARTICLE PASSED

8. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars ($40,000) to be added to the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectmen Cleary spoke to the article noting that this fund is for all of the Highway department's heavy equipment. The department has had one truck down since November and work is needed to be done on the new motor. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 137 NO- 54
THE ARTICLE PASSED

9. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) to be added to the Mower Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectman Mackesy spoke to the article noting that there currently is $8240.97 in the fund. This fund is for the purchase of a mower to be used by the Highway Department and the Recreation Department. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 132 NO- 59
THE ARTICLE PASSED

10. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) to be added to the Town Buildings Expendable Trust Fund previously established?

Note: Selectman Cleary spoke to the article noting that there is currently $39,047.41 in the fund. This fund is for the maintenance for twelve town buildings. Water damage has occurred in the Town Hall as the last roofing job was not done properly and the copula was damaged. Michael Munhall asked about the money left to the Town by David Glynn. It was noted that David left this money for the purpose of adding sprinklers and an elevator. Robyn Clough asked about the timeframe for those upgrades. Those upgrades are not in the plan at this time to complete. Bethany Craig noted that the elevator should be a priority to make the Town Hall second floor handicap accessible. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 128 NO-63
THE ARTICLE PASSED

11. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000) to be added to the Dodge Memorial Library Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectman Mackesy spoke to the article noting that there is currently $55,894.00 in the fund. Librarian Leslie MacGregor noted that there were fire and security upgrades made in 2019. In 2020, the library will need to address roof and window casings. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 141 NO- 51
THE ARTICLE PASSED

12. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) to be added to the Road Rehabilitation Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectmen Cleary spoke to the article noting that there is currently $60,460.35 in the fund. In 2019, work was done on Onset Road. The plan is to use the fund in 2020 for Durgin Road. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 150 NO- 41
THE ARTICLE PASSED

13. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) to be added to the Water Department Maintenance & Repairs Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectmen Mackesy spoke to the article noting the fund is for repairs and maintenance for the water department. There have been federally mandated upgrades to the water system. There is currently $42,567.06 in the fund. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 132 NO- 59
THE ARTICLE PASSED

14. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) to be added to the Sidewalk Capital Reserve Fund previously established

Note: Selectman Cleary spoke to the article noting that this Reserve fund was established in 2002. Repairs are needed on the sidewalks on Antrim Road. Robyn Clough asked about the sidewalk by the church that has been roped off this winter. Snow and ice have been coming off the roof creating a danger in that area. There is currently $1010.76 in the fund. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 124 NO- 68
THE ARTICLE PASSED

15. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) to be added to the Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund?

Note: Selectman Mackesy spoke to the article noting there is currently $64,124.10 in the fund. There are 4 Town bridges. It was noted that the bridge near the Paper Mill is red listed. Joseph MacGregor and Henry Badgley asked for an update on the state project for the bridge on South Bennington Rd. It is projected that the State bridge on South Bennington Rd will be done in 2023. The other bridge on South Bennington Rd is Town owned. The State is in charge of maintenance on the road during the summer, the Town maintains the road during the winter. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 153 NO- 39
THE ARTICLE PASSED

16. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) to be added to the Fire Department Breathing Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectman Cleary spoke to the article noting that there is $3,181.03 in the fund. Fire Chief David Foster noted that the SCBAs have a ten-year shelf life. Six units were replaced in 2019. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 157 NO-35
THE ARTICLE PASSED

17. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000) to be added to the Fire Department Protective Gear Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectman Mackesy spoke to the article noting that this is an annual article for protective gear for the Fire Department. There is currently $12,040.83 in the fund. Fire Chief David Foster noted that the Department is in need of replacing 3 sets of gear this year. When the old gear goes out of service, it can be used for training gear. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 153 NO-39
THE ARTICLE PASSED

18. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established?

Note: Selectmen Cleary spoke to the article noting that the 2019 revaluation cost $52,000. The next revaluation will be in 2024. There is currently $4,230.94 in the fund. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES-115 NO- 76
THE ARTICLE PASSED

19. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of forty-five thousand dollars ($45,000) to provide additional Highway Department funds to address deferred road maintenance?

Note: Selectman Mackesy spoke to the article noting that this is the fourth year this warrant article has been placed on the ballot in order to address deferred road maintenance. In 2019, road maintenance on Onset Road was addressed. In 2020, road maintenance will be completed on Onset Road and maintenance on Durgin Road will be addressed. Joseph MacGregor asked how this article was different than article #12. Administrator Kristie LaPlante responded that the wording in this article is more open ended and could be used for any Town roads. Money raised and appropriated in Article 12 can accrue in the fund, where as Article 19 must be spent each year. She noted that the money was split between the two articles in case one failed to pass. Joseph MacGregor noted that this should be in

the operating budget instead of a warrant article. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES-141 NO- 50
THE ARTICLE PASSED

20. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the amount of twelve thousand seventy-two dollars ($12,072) from unassigned fund balance to be deposited in the Conservation Commission Fund, said amount representing 50 of the income derived from Timber Tax revenue in the preceding year?

Note: Selectman Cleary spoke to the article noting that the money is from timber tax and is calculated from the previous year to be added to the Conservation Commission Fund. Molly Eppig asked if the money was collected in timber taxes last year, why the Town is asking to raise it again in order to place it is the fund. Administrator LaPlante stated that revenue from a prior year cannot be assigned to a different fund. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 127 NO- 64
THE ARTICLE PASSED

21. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the amount of four hundred sixty-one dollars ($461) from unassigned fund balance to be deposited in the Conservation Commission Fund, said amount representing 50% of the income derived from excavation tax revenue in the preceding year?

Note: Selectman Mackesy spoke to the article noting that this article has the same intent as the previous article. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 141 NO- 50
THE ARTICLE PASSED

23. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) in support of "End 68 Hours of Hunger" - a nonprofit regional organization?

Note: Selectman Cleary spoke to the article noting that this is a nonprofit organization that provides food assistance for ConVal area students. The organization provides food to 160 students for each weekend. It costs around ten dollars a bag. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 152 NO- 41
THE ARTICLE PASSED

25. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) in support of the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) - a nonprofit organization?

Note: Selectman Mackesy spoke to this article noting that this is a nonprofit organization. Moderator Cronin spoke in favor of the wonderful people who provide a valuable voice for children in the court. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 149 NO- 42
THE ARTICLE PASSED

26. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of eleven hundred dollars ($1,100) in support of the Child Advocacy Center of Hillsborough County (CAC) - a nonprofit organization?

Note: Selectman Cleary introduced this article. Moderator Cronin noted that there is less State support for Guardian ad litems and organizations like this are vital. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 151 NO- 41
THE ARTICLE PASSED

27. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars ($300) in support of the Contoocook Housing Trust - a nonprofit organization?

Note: Selectman Cleary introduced the article. Jonathan Manley spoke to this article as he is on the Contoocook Housing Trust Board. The needs are tremendous. Bennington offers four low to moderate income housing in town. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 123 NO- 53
THE ARTICLE PASSED

28. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred dollars ($700) in support of the American Red Cross - a nonprofit organization?

Note: Selectman Cleary spoke to the article noting that the Town has supported the Red Cross for many years. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 122 NO- 53
THE ARTICLE PASSED

29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars ($100) in support of Hundred Nights Shelter - a nonprofit organization?

Note: Selectmen Mackesy spoke to this article noting that it is a new request for funding. The shelter is located in Keene, New Hampshire. They offer two nights of shelter and counseling. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as written.

2020 RESULTS: YES- 131 NO-45

In old business Denise French was thanked for her years of service. Moderator Cronin noted that ballot counters will be needed for the election.

As there was no other business at hand, Joseph MacGregor made a motion to adjourn the meeting and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Belcher
Bennington Town Clerk

New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

2020
MS-232

Report of Appropriations Actually Voted

Bennington

For the period beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020

Form Due Date: **20 Days after the Annual Meeting**

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief. Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Name	Position	Signature
James w Cleary	Selectmen	James w Cleary
David Foster	Selectmen	

This form must be signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal:
https://www.proptax.org/

For assistance please contact:
NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
(603) 230-5090
http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations As Voted
General Government			
4130-4139	Executive	04	$212,988
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	04	$42,416
4150-4151	Financial Administration	04	$43,111
4152	Revaluation of Property	04	$18,860
4153	Legal Expense	04	$6,200
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	04	$21,243
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	04	$5,238
4194	General Government Buildings	04	$68,702
4195	Cemeteries	04	$15,475
4196	Insurance	04	$27,137
4197	Advertising and Regional Association		$0
4199	Other General Government		$0
	General Government Subtotal		**$461,370**
Public Safety			
4210-4214	Police	04	$367,314
4215-4219	Ambulance	04	$20,000
4220-4229	Fire	04	$70,935
4240-4249	Building Inspection	04	$3,415
4290-4298	Emergency Management	04	$1,302
4299	Other (Including Communications)		$0
	Public Safety Subtotal		**$462,966**
Airport/Aviation Center			
4301-4309	Airport Operations		$0
	Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal		**$0**
Highways and Streets			
4311	Administration	04	$283,420
4312	Highways and Streets	04	$149,500
4313	Bridges		$0
4316	Street Lighting	04	$7,000
4319	Other		$0
	Highways and Streets Subtotal		**$439,920**
Sanitation			
4321	Administration	04	$37,535
4323	Solid Waste Collection	04	$1,250
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	04	$68,100
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	04	$12,000
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal	04	$61,750
4329	Other Sanitation	04	$800
	Sanitation Subtotal		**$181,435**

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations As Voted
Water Distribution and Treatment			
4331	Administration	04	$40,290
4332	Water Services	04	$13,100
4335	Water Treatment	04	$6,000
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		$0
	Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal		**$59,390**
Electric			
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		$0
4353	Purchase Costs		$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		$0
	Electric Subtotal		**$0**
Health			
4411	Administration	04	$102
4414	Pest Control	04	$200
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	04	$5,845
	Health Subtotal		**$6,147**
Welfare			
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	04	$11,330
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	04	$850
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	04,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,29	$14,002
	Welfare Subtotal		**$26,182**
Culture and Recreation			
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	04	$33,460
4550-4559	Library	04	$150,338
4583	Patriotic Purposes	04	$700
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	04	$2,001
	Culture and Recreation Subtotal		**$186,499**
Conservation and Development			
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	04	$931
4619	Other Conservation	04,20,21	$13,666
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		$0
	Conservation and Development Subtotal		**$14,597**

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations As Voted
Debt Service			
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal		$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest		$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	04	$3,000
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		$0
	Debt Service Subtotal		**$3,000**
Capital Outlay			
4901	Land		$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		$0
4903	Buildings		$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	19	$45,000
	Capital Outlay Subtotal		**$45,000**
Operating Transfers Out			
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	05,06,07,08,09,11,12,13,14,16,17,18	$144,500
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	10,15	$35,000
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds		$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		$0
	Operating Transfers Out Subtotal		**$179,500**
	Total Voted Appropriations		**$2,066,006**

Tax Rate Breakdown
Bennington

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	$1,414,240	$128,652,139	**$10.99**
County	$131,250	$128,652,139	**$1.02**
Local Education	$1,996,829	$128,652,139	**$15.52**
State Education	$232,196	$125,119,139	**$1.86**
Total	**$3,774,515**		**$29.39**

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Total	**$0**		**$0.00**

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	$3,774,515
War Service Credits	($43,080)
Village District Tax Effort	$0
Total Property Tax Commitment	$3,731,435

12/2/2020

James P. Gerry
Director of Municipal and Property Division
New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	$2,066,006	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		($686,185)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		($12,533)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		($54,000)
War Service Credits	$43,080	
Special Adjustment	$0	
Actual Overlay Used	$57,872	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	**$1,414,240**	

County Apportionment

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	$131,250	
Net Required County Tax Effort	**$131,250**	

Education

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	$0	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	$3,635,510	
Net Education Grant		($1,406,485)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		($232,196)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	**$1,996,829**	
State Education Tax	$232,196	
State Education Tax Not Retained	$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	**$232,196**	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)

Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	$128,652,139	$126,552,077
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	$125,119,139	$124,514,477
Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	$0	$0
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities, Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	$128,652,139	$126,552,077

Village (MS-1V)

Description	Current Year

Bennington

Tax Commitment Verification

2020 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II

Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	$3,731,435
1/2% Amount	$18,657
Acceptable High	$3,750,092
Acceptable Low	$3,712,778

If the amount of your total warrant varies by more than 1/2%, the MS-1 form used to calculate the tax rate might not be correct. The tax rate will need to be recalculated. Contact your assessors immediately and call us at 603.230.5090 before you issue the bills. See RSA 76:10, II

Commitment Amount	
Less amount for any applicable Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIF)	
Net amount after TIF adjustment	

Under penalties of perjury, I verify the amount above was the 2020 commitment amount on the property tax warrant.

Tax Collector/Deputy Signature:	**Date:**

Requirements for Semi-Annual Billing

Pursuant to RSA 76:15-a

76:15-a Semi-Annual Collection of Taxes in Certain Towns and Cities - I. Taxes shall be collected in the following manner in towns and cities which adopt the provisions of this section in the manner set out in RSA 76:15-b. A partial payment of the taxes assessed on April 1 in any tax year shall be computed by taking the prior year's assessed valuation times 1/2 of the previous year's tax rate; provided, however, that whenever it shall appear to the selectmen or assessors that certain individual properties have physically changed in valuation, they may use the current year's appraisal times 1/2 the previous year's tax rate to compute the partial payment.

Bennington	Total Tax Rate	Semi-Annual Tax Rate
Total 2020 Tax Rate	$29.39	$14.70

Associated Villages

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	**$116,000**
General Fund Operating Expenses	**$4,310,281**
Final Overlay	**$57,872**

DRA has provided a reference range of fund balance retention amounts below. Please utilize these ranges in the determination of the adequacy of your municipality's unrestricted fund balance, as currently defined in GASB Statement 54. Retention amounts, as part of the municipality's stabilization fund policy [1], should be assessed dependent upon your governments own long-term forecasts and special circumstances. Please note that current best practices published by GFOA recommend, at a minimum, that "...general purpose governments, regardless of size, maintain unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than two months of regular general fund operating revenues or regular general fund operating expenditures." [2],[3]

[1] The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB), (1998), *Framework for Improved State and Local Government Budgeting: Recommended Budget Practices (4.1)*, pg. 17.
[2] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2009), *Best Practice: Determining the Appropriate Level of Unrestricted Fund Balance in the General Fund.*
[3] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2011), *Best Practice: Replenishing General Fund Balance.*

2020 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Bennington	
Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (8.34%)	**$359,517**
17% Retained *(Maximum Recommended)*	$732,748
10% Retained	$431,028
8% Retained	$344,822
5% Retained *(Minimum Recommended)*	$215,514

SELECTMEN'S MESSAGE

For many of our residents, 2020 was a year filled with uncertainty, exhaustion, and profound perseverance as our Town – and the world – were broadsided by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).

As we prepared the 2020 Budget in early January, the national media reported on a mysterious flu half a world away. By early February, the media was reporting on cases in the United States. And by the time we went to the polls on March 10th, New Hampshire had diagnosed its first few cases of COVID-19.

COVID-19 caused us to evaluate the needs of the Town and make changes as needed throughout 2020:

- Town Hall has been closed to foot traffic since April 1st because of limited space in our lobby and also to reduce exposure for our limited staff in the Town Office, Town Clerk's Office, and Police Department. Office Staff have remained working in the building and all business has been conducted by email, phone, mail, or drop box located outside of Town Hall.
- Our Library has been closed to the public since mid-March but has continued providing their customers with reading and viewing materials.
- Boards and Committees held Virtual or Hybrid meetings to accommodate our volunteers and residents.
- We reviewed planned roadway projects and tabled reconstruction of Durgin Road while we waited to see how COVID-19 would impact revenues.
- Recycling was suspended for three months to reduce employee and patron exposure at the Transfer Station. At the recommendation of NH DES, a phased reopening of recycling activities allowed us to receive stockpiled recyclables from our residents. The swap shop remains closed at this time.
- We reviewed properties eligible for Tax Deed and voted to defer Tax Deeds for one year.
- Because the Elementary School (our usual voting venue) was closed to the public, we relocated the Presidential Primary voting to the Highway Garage.

In June we met with the Town's Joint Loss Management Committee to discuss reopening Town Hall to the public. As a result of the meeting it became clear that Town Hall could not reopen without improvements to the air quality and customer lobby area. A Request for Proposal was sent to area contractors requesting bids to create a separate entrance for the Police Department, enlarge the customer service window in the lobby, and add a sneeze guard. Despite postings in the newspaper, social media, and personal invitations in June, the Town did not receive any responses until mid-September.

We received and reviewed bids from two Bennington contractors for Town Hall COVID Improvements and awarded the project to Jay Contracting, LLC. The project has been completely funded with GOFERR Grant monies. Project completion has been delayed due to material availability. When Town Hall reopens to the public in early 2021, our customers will see a fresh new customer service lobby with maximized space to allow for proper social distancing, a new entrance to the conference room, and a new exterior entrance to the Police Department.

In 2020, additional investments were made to Equipment and Facilities:

- In late 2019, the fuel source at the Highway Department became contaminated due to an errant fuel delivery by the Town's fuel vendor. As a result, the motor in the Highway

Department's 2007 International Dump Truck seized and was replaced through the insurance claim process. With a new motor and a healthy chassis, the Selectmen voted to replace the dump body and further expand the life of the vehicle beyond the original 20 year expected life.

- The original heaters and ceiling fans at the Highway Garage were replaced this spring. To date we have seen a 29% reduction in electric costs!
- Continued improvements to all Town Facilities to remain in compliance with the 2019 Department of Labor Safety Inspection. The difficult decision was made to close the VFW building to allow us time to better evaluate long-term improvements rather than short-term fixes.
- Reviewed prior repairs and future equipment needs and voted to upgrade the Highway Department Loader. After months of research, we purchased a 2002 John Deere 544H Loader with 4,000 hours and sold the Town's 1982 John Deere Loader.

In March voters approved a Warrant Article to adopt a Solar Exemption equal to 100% of the assessed value of qualifying solar energy systems intended for use at the immediate site. As a result, we authorized exemptions totaling $80,500 for qualified applicants.

We are proud to continue to support outstanding youth in our Community through the award of the Edward French Memorial Scholarship to two graduating Conval seniors – Molly Reed and Alexis Cleary. We are also pleased to announce that Bennington is now a Purple Heart Community. Purple Heart signage will be installed in spring 2021.

We are happy to report that Bennington continues to benefit from the generosity of others as well as the conscientious work of Department Heads. Here are some examples of investments in our Community that have benefited our taxpayers:

- Through a grant opportunity, a resident benefactor provided a 50% matching donation that enabled us to upgrade all light fixtures at the Town Hall to LED fixtures.
- Because we are unable to haul in fresh sand at the beach due to DES permitting requirements, a private resident rototilled the beach to freshen up the beach area.
- In 2019, voters approved a Warrant Article to accept a gift of 1.9 acres of land off Main Street. In 2020, site work improvements were completed and made possible by private donation. After years of fundraising efforts, the Historical Society erected a gazebo on the property and is a welcome addition in our downtown area.

In late October, Governor Sununu joined Town Officials, State Leaders, and recovery advocates to celebrate the groundbreaking for Bridge Street Recovery's new 40 bed residential care and transitional housing unit for individuals recovering from addiction. The project principles are a cohesive group and include celebrities, addiction counselors, recovering addicts, and local residents. The transitional housing program in Bennington, located at the former Highland Inn on Francestown Road, comes at the tail end of in-patient treatment at their inpatient facility in Peterborough. Clients/patients are vetted before they arrive in Bennington and there are strict rules as a condition of residency. The Bennington and Peterborough programs are expected to bring about 90 jobs to the area.

Staffing changes in 2020 were the lowest they have been in years. Resignations in 2020 included Anmarie Wilson (Crossing Guard), Valerie Germain (Conservation Commission), and Alex Mason (Planning Board Alternate). We also welcomed new faces, Sarah Cox (Transfer Station), Brian Mamczak (Transfer Station), and Theresa Healey (Crossing Guard).

In closing, we continue to be concerned about taxation and the effect the Conval School District has on our ability to enhance our local infrastructure. Our efforts to manage the short and long-term needs of our community continue to be thwarted by the Conval Budget and resulting tax rate. For every $100 of property taxes, $59.14 goes to Local and State Education and $37.39 goes towards the Town (the remaining $3.47 goes to the County). When evaluating the wants and needs of our community, we continually find ourselves in a position to fund only basic needs.

Respectfully Submitted,

James Cleary, Chair
David Foster
David P. Hardwick, Sr.

...In Memory of Those Town Servants We Lost in 2020...

The 2020 Town Report is dedicated to the following public servants who gave freely of themselves for the good of the community. We salute the honor of these former Town Officials who were each a part of the group of devoted people upon whom small towns are dependent.

FRANK DALTON; 1937-2020 – retired member of the Bennington Fire Department. In addition to his firefighting expertise Frank was instrumental, along with other volunteers, in the 1970's construction of the Fire Station which was built without cost to the Town.

Frank was also a proud member of the Brown & Knight VFW Post 8268.

MARY ELLEN LINDSAY; 1943-2020 – volunteered at the Library in the early 1970's and is remembered tor her kindness, helpfulness and reading to our elementary school children.

Most recently Mary Ellen worked as a volunteer at the Historical Society and helped choose the design for the new gazebo recently built in Town. She also enjoyed reading, beadwork, painting on canvas and was the only woman member of the Tennessee Woodworkers.

WILLIAM REID; 1929-2020 – served as the Town's Administrator from 1993 to 2003. His practical sense and his calm, straightforward demeanor made him effective and much appreciated in that role by Townspeople and Board of Selectmen alike.

Bill proudly served his county in Korea where he commanded an infantry platoon in that conflict and was awarded two Bronze Stars. Bill's greatest joy was his family.

EDWARD PELLETIER, SR.; 1933-2020 – was a former member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment. He was a personable guy who was strong in his beliefs and opinions. Ed and his wife Jane operated a fully functional farm and a feed and grain store before their retirement. He enjoyed tinkering on small engines and working around his property on multiple projects.

Ed proudly served in the Korean War as a heavy equipment mechanic; he was honorably discharged with the rank of Corporal.

TOWN CLERK REVENUE REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2020

Motor Vehicle Registrations		$ 293,472.95
Municipal Agent Fees		$ 7,032.00
Motor Vehicle Titles		$ 803.00
Motor Vehicle Mail Program		$ 1,745.00
OHRV	Town	$ 194.00
Fish and Game	Town	$ 45.00
UCC Lien Filings		$ 525.00
Marriage Licenses:	Town	$ 126.00
Certified Copies:	Town	$ 545.00
Dog Licenses:	Town	$ 1633.00
Dog Mail Program		$ 337.00
Dog License Fines		$ 1636.00
Election Fees		$ 0.00
Bad Check Fees		$ 35.00
Parking Tickets		$ 0.00
Checklist		$ 325.00
Pole Licenses		$ 0.00
Miscellaneous		$ 7.00
Total Revenue Collected by the Town Clerk		$ 308,460.95

I hereby certify that the above report is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Debra Belcher, Town Clerk

TOWN OF BENNINGTON
TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
JANUARY 1, 2020 - DECEMBER 31, 2020

	2020	2019
UNCOLLECTED TAXES January 1, 2020		
Property Taxes		$283,108.00
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR		
Property Taxes	$3,742,865.00	0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	12,354.12	0.00
Excavation Taxes	777.14	0.00
OVERPAYMENT		
Prepaid 2021	4,003.58	0.00
Refund	0.00	503.99
INTEREST & FEES	1,504.62	8,698.24
TOTAL DEBITS	**$3,761,504.46**	**$292,310.23**
REMITTED TO TREASURER 2020		
Property Taxes	$3,079,092.26	$205,432.32
Land Use Change Taxes	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	10,500.12	0.00
Interest/Fees	1,504.62	8,698.24
Excavation Taxes	777.14	0.00
2019 Credit Applied to 2020 Taxes	393.85	0.00
Conversion to Lien (principal)	0.00	75,937.24
ABATEMENTS		
Property Taxes	50.00	2,221.27
UNCOLLECTED TAXES December 31, 2020		
Property Taxes	$667,332.47	$0.00
Yield Tax	$1,854.00	$21.16
TOTAL CREDITS	**$3,761,504.46**	**$292,310.23**

A list of unpaid accounts is available for public inspection,
at Town Hall, during regular office hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristie J. LaPlante
Tax Collector

TOWN OF BENNINGTON
TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS
JANUARY 1, 2019 - DECEMBER 31, 2019

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015 & Prior	ELDERLY/ DISABLED TAX LIEN
Unredeemed Liens January 1, 2020		$56,637.83	$30,778.11	$13,004.78	$10,214.29	$3,420.04
Liens Executed 2020	82,425.33					
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	1,471.59	5,948.94	4,064.28	2,140.66	0.00	0.00
TOTAL DEBITS	**$83,896.92**	**$62,586.77**	**$34,842.39**	**$15,145.44**	**$10,214.29**	**$3,420.04**
REMITTANCE TO TREASURER						
Redemptions	$21,417.28	$20,634.85	$13,810.57	$5,107.45	$0.00	$0.00
Interest & Costs	1,471.59	5,948.94	4,064.28	2,140.66	0.00	0.00
Abatement of Unredeemed Liens	20.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unredeemed Tax Liens December 31, 2020	60,987.71	36,002.98	16,967.54	7,897.33	10,214.29	3,420.04
TOTAL CREDITS	**$83,896.92**	**$62,586.77**	**$34,842.39**	**$15,145.44**	**$10,214.29**	**$3,420.04**

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Kristie J. LaPlante, Tax Collector

TOWN OF BENNINGTON
WATER AND SEWER FINANCIAL REPORT
JANUARY 1, 2020 - DECEMBER 31, 2020

Unpaid Balance January 1, 2020		$14,250.75
Charges:		
Water Usage	$73,980.58	
Water Interest	$390.38	
Sewer Usage	$39,673.13	
Sewer Interest	$215.45	
TOTAL CHARGES		+ $114,259.54
		$128,510.29
2019 Credit Carried Forward		- -$10.31
Prepaid 2021		
Water	$161.70	
Sewer	$103.10	
		+ $264.80
Conversion to Lien		
Water	$1,019.35	
Sewer	$314.68	
		- $1,334.03
Receipts to Treasurer		
Water	$69,793.76	
Sewer	$37,403.60	
		- $107,197.36
Abatements		
Water	$0.00	
Sewer	$0.00	
		- $0.00
Unpaid Water & Sewer Charges December 31, 2020		$20,233.39

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at Town Hall, during regular office hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristie J. LaPlante
Tax Collector

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

For Year Ended December 31, 2020

LOCAL TAXES FOR CURRENT YEAR			
Property Tax	$ 3,079,092.26	*Due date for second bill 1/7/21	
Land Use Change Tax	$ -		
Yield Tax	$ 10,500.12		
Excavation Tax	$ 777.14		
Interest/Penalties	$ 1,504.62		
			$ 3,091,874.14
LOCAL TAXES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS			
Property Tax	$ 205,432.32		
Interest/Penalties	$ 8,698.24		
Tax Liens Redeemed	$ 60,970.15		
Tax Lien Interest/Penalties	$ 13,625.47		
			$ 288,726.18
WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT			$ 107,197.36
TOWN CLERK REVENUE			$ 308,460.95
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE			
Highway Block Grant	$ 44,756.58		
State of NH - Rooms & Meals	$ 75,347.43		
State Aid (HB 3 & 4)	$ 25,076.33		
			$ 145,180.34
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES			
Building Permits	$ 8,801.90		
Demolition Permits	$ -		
Driveway Permits	$ 60.00		
Sign Permits	$ -		
Cable Franchise Fees	$ 2,671.32		
Court Fines	$ -		
Pistol Permits	$ 10.00		
Bad Check Fees	$ 35.00		
			$ 11,578.22
REIMBURSEMENTS			
COVID-19 Election Reimbursement	$ 2,310.71		
Fire Department Forestry Grant	$ 2,000.00		
NH DES - Waste Water AMP Grant	$ 10,095.03		
Police Special Details	$ 900.00		
Property Insurance Claim Reimbursement	$ 1,240.27		
Return of Dental Insurance Surplus	$ 362.56		
			$ 14,597.86
INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS			
Highway Department	$ -		
Planning Board	$ 436.00		
Police Department	$ 110.00		
Recreation Department	$ -		
Recycling	$ 13,869.21		
Water Department - Final Meter Read Fee	$ 225.00		
Water Department - Water Line Repair	$ 461.87		
Town Administration	$ 52.06		

Welfare	$	500.00	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	$	-	
			$ 15,654.14

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

SALE OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTY	$	6,900.00
RENT OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTY	$	400.00
BANK INTEREST	$	2,293.96
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE	$	-
TOTAL 2020 RECEIPTS		**$ 3,992,863.15**

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

For Year Ended December 31, 2020

EXECUTIVE OFFICE			
	Selectmen Salaries	$ 4,500.00	
	Health Insurance	$ 50,993.38	
	Dental Insurance	$ 1,056.96	
	Fica/Medicare	$ 8,887.25	
	Retirement	$ 7,974.38	
	Dues & Subscriptions	$ 1,527.00	
	Copier Lease	$ 1,701.89	
	Phone & Internet	$ 2,216.31	
	Advertising	$ 524.76	
	Office Supplies	$ 2,264.51	
	Postage	$ 2,291.69	
	General Supplies	$ 1,694.10	
	Miscellaneous Expenses	$ 634.76	
	Administrator Salary	$ 56,855.84	
	Deputy Administrator Salary	$ 14,849.15	
	Administrative Support	$ 40,170.40	
	Town Report Printing	$ 1,272.00	
	Bulk Mailing	$ 240.00	
	Mileage/Expenses	$ 305.00	
	General Contingency	$ 550.45	
	Total Executive Office		$ 200,509.83
ELECTION AND REGISTRATION			
	Deputy Town Clerk Salary	$ 8,846.88	
	Assistant Town Clerk Salary	$ -	
	Town Clerk Salary	$ 22,681.24	
	Fica/Medicare	$ 2,495.41	
	IT Support	$ 997.50	
	Dues & Subscriptions	$ 20.00	
	Motor Vehicle Registrations	$ 300.00	
	Mileage/Expenses	$ 26.44	
	Office Supplies	$ 740.53	
	Postage	$ 239.74	
	Books and Periodicals	$ -	
	Supervisors Clerical Wages	$ 1,581.25	
	Supervisors of the Checklist	$ 1,650.00	
	Supervisors of the Checklist Conval	$ 225.00	
	Moderator's Stipend	$ 60.00	
	Advertising	$ 194.75	
	Supervisors Office Supplies	$ 453.67	
	Election Ballot Clerks	$ 630.00	
	Election Printing	$ 339.52	
	Election Meals	$ 353.50	
	Total Election and Registration		$ 41,835.43
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION			
	Financial Software	$ 2,721.25	
	Bank Services/Fees	$ 1,367.79	
	Auditing Services	$ 17,441.50	
	Treasurer Salary	$ 3,120.00	
	Deputy Treasurer	$ 500.00	
	Fica/Medicare	$ 276.93	
	Tax Collector Dues & Subscriptions	$ -	
	Tax Software	$ 2,843.00	
	Tax Collector Fees	$ 643.80	
	Tax Collector Postage	$ 134.00	

	Abatement Interest	$ 12,595.32	
	IT Support	$ 6,419.88	
	Technology & Computers	$ -	
	Total Financial Administration		$ 48,063.47
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS			
	Office Supplies	$19.89	
	Mileage	$ -	
	Total Trustees of Trust Funds		$19.89
PROPERTY ASSESSMENT			
	Revaluation	$ -	
	Assessing Services	$ 11,842.97	
	Assessing Software	$ 1,901.00	
	Registry of Deeds Fees	$ 294.50	
	Total Property Assessment		$ 14,038.47
LEGAL EXPENSES			
	General Legal Support	$ 3,319.50	
	Total Judicial & Legal Expense		$ 3,319.50
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION			
	Unemployment Compensation	$ 310.49	
	Workers Compensation	$ 20,743.04	
	Total Personnel Administration		$ 21,053.53
PLANNING AND ZONING			
	PB Recording Secretary	$ 500.00	
	PB Fica/Medicare	$ 38.24	
	PB SWRPC Member Dues	$ 1,639.00	
	PB Miscellaneous	$ 742.13	
	ZBA Recording Secretary	$ 20.00	
	ZBA Fica/Medicare	$ 1.53	
	ZBA Miscellaneous	$ 197.40	
	Total Planning and Zoning		$ 3,138.30
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS			
	TH Fire/Security Alarm	$ 1,711.40	
	TH Cleaning Service	$ 4,657.35	
	TH Building Repairs/Maintenance	$ 3,276.88	
	TH Janitorial Supplies	$ 423.59	
	TH Electric	$ 2,915.46	
	TH Heat	$ 4,727.52	
	VFW Cleaning Service	$ 901.36	
	VFW Building Repairs/Maintenance	$ 816.00	
	VFW Janitorial Supplies	$ 9.99	
	VFW Electric	$ 420.08	
	VFW Heat	$ 987.43	
	FD Fire Alarm	$ 1,498.25	
	FD Cleaning Service	$ 1,705.48	
	FD Building Repairs/Maintenance	$ 514.27	
	FD Electric	$ 2,102.77	
	FD Heat	$ 2,426.87	
	HW Building Repairs/Maintenance	$ 1,646.30	
	HW Electric	$ 1,127.17	
	HW Heat	$ 2,920.55	
	SWD Building Repairs/Maintenance	$ 68.00	
	SWD Electric	$ 1,287.29	
	SWD Heat	$ 338.24	
	WTR Security Alarm	$ 250.00	

WTR Bldg Repairs & Maintenance	$ 4.00		
WTR Electric	$ 11,107.58		
WTR Pumphouse Heat	$ 1,471.19		
SWR Bldg Repairs & Maintenance	$ 752.00		
SWR Electric	$ 3,426.27		
SWR Heat	$ 320.12		
REC Building Repairs/Maintenance	$ 340.38		
REC Electric	$ 980.89		
GEN Groundskeeping	$ 5,662.85		
GEN Repairs Maintenance	$ 771.14		
GEN Electric	$ 651.84		
Total General Government Buildings		$	62,220.51
CEMETERIES			
Evergreen Cemetery Groundskeeping	$ 5,708.30		
Sunnyside Cemetery Groundskeeping	$ 2,988.20		
Recording Secretary	$ 95.00		
Labor	$ 195.00		
Fica/Medicare	$ 7.27		
Stone/Tree Maintenance	$ 1,270.00		
Maintenance Supplies	$ 1,104.70		
Total Cemeteries		$	11,368.47
PROPERTY/LIABILITY/BOND INSURANCE			
Property/Liability Annual Premium	$ 26,137.00		
Insurance Deductible Coverage	$ 1,000.00		
Total Property/Liability/Bond Insurance		$	27,137.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT			
Police Chief Salary	$ 70,080.80		
Police Sergeant Salary	$ 57,423.13		
Part-Time Officers Salary	$ 35,210.46		
Crossing Guard Salary	$ 2,740.61		
Administrative Assistant Salary	$ 750.02		
Overtime	$ 10,464.02		
On-Call Wages	$ 5,679.00		
Health Insurance	$ 50,993.38		
Dental Insurance	$ 1,399.00		
Fica/Medicare	$ 5,194.01		
Retirement	$ 39,131.26		
Regional Prosecutor	$ 30,886.80		
Dispatch Services	$ 18,362.25		
Dues & Subscriptions	$ 175.00		
Education/Safety	$ (399.00)		
IMC Software	$ 2,475.00		
Administration Telephone	$ 3,021.71		
Cellular Telephone	$ 480.00		
Office Supplies	$ 761.60		
Miscellaneous	$ 289.93		
Training Supplies	$ -		
Maintenance/Repair of Equipment	$ -		
Equipment Supplies	$ 238.50		
Uniforms	$ 842.65		
Vehicle Maintenance	$ 1,069.96		
Gasoline	$ 5,280.44		
Special Detail Wages	$ 819.50		
Total Police Department		$	343,370.03

AMBULANCE SERVICE			
	Antrim Ambulance	$ 20,000.00	
	Total Ambulance Service		$ 20,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT			
	Administrative Wages	$ 2,042.90	
	Emergency Call Wages	$ 8,970.31	
	Non-Emergency Wages	$ 6,531.35	
	Fica/Medicare	$ 2,196.32	
	Dispatch Service	$ 18,773.00	
	Dues	$ 330.00	
	Telephone	$ 1,102.56	
	Cell Phone	$ 505.80	
	General Supplies	$ 395.05	
	Training Courses	$ -	
	Service Contracts	$ 3,581.40	
	Radio Repairs	$ 111.00	
	Equipment Replacement	$ 7,079.37	
	Vehicle Maintenance	$ 3,204.05	
	Vehicle Fuel	$ 663.08	
	Forestry	$ 716.63	
	Fire Prevention Materials	$ 1,045.40	
	Total Fire Department		$ 57,248.22
MEDICAL/RESCUE			
	Training	$ 1,196.25	
	Medical Supplies	$ 2,057.72	
	Equipment Replacement	$ 3,800.00	
	Total Medical/Rescue		$ 7,053.97
CODE ENFORCEMENT			
	Building Inspector Salary	$ 2,022.50	
	Fica/Medicare	$ 125.40	
	Cell Phone	$ 240.00	
	Mileage	$ 185.95	
	Books & Education	$ 34.95	
	Total Building Inspection		$ 2,608.80
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT			
	Emergency Wages	$ 1,020.35	
	Fica/Medicare	$ 46.25	
	Supplies	$ 2,731.10	
	Total Emergency Management		$ 3,797.70
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION			
	Road Agent Salary	$ 50,821.61	
	Highway Truck Driver Salary	$ 34,852.77	
	Highway Laborer Salary	$ 34,446.10	
	PT As Needed Assistance	$ 195.00	
	FT As Needed Assistance	$ 131.51	
	Overtime	$ 11,341.50	
	Health Insurance	$ 54,624.53	
	Dental Insurance	$ 939.11	
	Fica/Medicare	$ 10,283.06	
	Retirement	$ 14,360.72	
	Drug/Alcohol Testing	$ 345.00	
	Telephone	$ 1,439.45	
	Cell Phone	$ 400.00	
	Equipment Maintenance/Repairs	$ 14,290.60	

Vehicle Maintenance/Repairs	$ 19,761.83		
Gasoline/Oil	$ 10,601.87		
General Supplies	$ 2,830.25		
Street Signs	$ 248.77		
Miscellaneous	$ 3,336.88		
Total Highway Department Administration		$	265,250.56

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - ROADS MAINTENANCE

Tar/Patch/Seal	$ 28,240.19		
Paving	$ 45,000.00		
Hired Plowing/Sanding	$ 15,623.00		
Snow/Ice Supplies	$ 16,521.46		
Gravel Preparation	$ 10,000.00		
Equipment Rental	$ 487.04		
Road Maintenance Supplies	$ 8,332.36		
Road Drainage Supplies	$ 2,960.76		
Total Highway Roads Maintenance		$	127,164.81

STREET LIGHTING

Eversource	$ 6,115.96		
Total Street Lighting		$	6,115.96

TRANSFER STATION

Attendants Salary	$ 23,628.29		
Highway Dept. Assisstance	$ 12.24		
As-Needed Assistance	$ 8,778.39		
Fica/Medicare	$ 2,409.74		
NRRA Annual Dues	$ 101.99		
Certification	$ 250.00		
Equipment Maintenance	$ -		
Household Hazardous Waste Disposal	$ -		
Hauling and Disposal	$ 53,139.45		
Telephone	$ 1,415.06		
Recyclables Removal	$ 9,763.00		
Container Lease	$ 1,300.00		
Landfill Post-Closure Costs	$ 4,337.78		
General Supplies	$ 1,055.17		
Miscellaneous	$ 286.27		
Total Transfer Station		$	106,477.38

WATER DEPARTMENT

Recording Secretary	$ 80.00		
Commissioners Salary	$ 1,700.00		
Fica/Medicare	$ 130.05		
Town of Antrim	$ 32,664.50		
NE Rural Water Association Dues	$ 290.00		
Training Courses	$ -		
Postage	$ 660.06		
Miscellaneous	$ 120.43		
Line Repairs/Maintenance	$ 9,868.66		
Telephone	$ 1,132.48		
Water Samples	$ 1,489.00		
Corrosion Control	$ 6,497.68		
Total Water Department		$	54,632.86

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Town of Antrim	$ 46,630.87		
Generator Maintenance	$ 808.90		
Repair Maintenance	$ 7,231.88		

	Total Sewer Department		$ 54,671.65
ANIMAL CONTROL			
	Animal Control	$ -	
	Total Animal Control		$ -
HEALTH AGENCIES			
	Home Health Care	$ 4,000.00	
	Monadnock Family Services	$ 1,845.00	
	Total Health Agencies		$ 5,845.00
WELFARE DEPARTMENT			
	Welfare Director Salary	$ 2,500.00	
	Fica/Medicare	$ 191.38	
	Dues & Subscriptions	$ -	
	Miscellaneous	$ 15.00	
	Rental Assistance	$ -	
	Meals on Wheels	$ 850.00	
	Food	$ -	
	Vendor Payments - Electric/Heat	$ 366.90	
	Total Welfare Department		$ 3,923.28
PARKS AND RECREATION			
	Miscellaneous	$ 49.38	
	Recreation Activities	$ 821.68	
	Fishing Derby	$ 600.75	
	Little League	$ 2,000.00	
	Rhubarb Festival	$ 315.83	
	Groundskeeping (Labor)	$ 3,514.60	
	Fica/Medicare	$ 308.52	
	Rec Groundskeeping	$ 16,970.22	
	Ball Field Chemical Toilets	$ 620.00	
	Beach Staff	$ 517.50	
	Beach Water Sample/Analysis	$ -	
	Beach Groundskeeping	$ 1,127.23	
	Beach Supplies	$ 1,003.43	
	Beach Chem Toilets	$ 620.00	
	Beach Telephone	$ -	
	Total Parks and Recreation		$ 28,469.14
LIBRARY			
	Librarian Salary	$ 50,955.20	
	Librarian Assistants Salary	$ 26,809.24	
	As-Needed Assistance	$ 66.00	
	Health Insurance	$ 21,701.74	
	Dental Insurance	$ 508.19	
	Fica/Medicare	$ 5,991.27	
	Retirement	$ 5,691.55	
	Technology	$ 574.97	
	Photo Cop ier	$ 2,728.62	
	Telephone	$ 631.06	
	Conference Fees	$ 310.00	
	Office Supplies	$ 2,127.07	
	Computer Replacement	$ -	
	Program Supplies	$ 240.19	
	Book Collection	$ 12,331.11	
	Media Collection	$ 5,476.58	
	Grounds Maintenance	$ 1,048.00	
	Building Maintenance	$ 704.03	
	Building Electricity	$ 1,757.35	
	Building Heating Oil	$ 1,720.92	
	Total Library		$ 141,373.09

CULTURE AND RECREATION				
	Edward E. French Scholarships	$ 2,000.00		
	Project LIFT	$ -		
	Total Education		$	2,000.00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES				
	Memorial Day	$ 700.00		
	Total Patriotic Purposes		$	700.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
	General/Miscellaneous	$ 277.93		
	Labor/Secretary	$ 35.00		
	Fica/Medicare	$ 2.68		
	Dues & Subscriptions	$ 250.00		
	Office Supplies	$ -		
	Education	$ 312.00		
	Total Conservation Commission		$	877.61
DEBT				
	Tax Anticipation Note Interest	$ -		
	Total Tax Anticipation Note Int.		$	-
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS				
	Highway Equipment CRF	$ 40,000.00		
	Road Rehab CRF	$ 15,000.00		
	Mower CRF	$ 1,000.00		
	Fire Truck CRF	$ 25,000.00		
	Rescue Vehicle CRF	$ 2,500.00		
	Breathing Apparatus CRF	$ 2,000.00		
	FD Protective Gear CRF	$ 6,000.00		
	Police Cruiser CRF	$ 10,000.00		
	Water CRF	$ 25,000.00		
	Property Reval CRF	$ 12,000.00		
	Library Building CRF	$ 5,000.00		
	Sidewalk Construction CRF	$ 1,000.00		
	Total Capital Reserve Funds		$	144,500.00
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS				
	Bridge Maintenance ETF	$ 10,000.00		
	Town Buildings ETF	$ 25,000.00		
	Total Expendable Trust Funds		$	35,000.00
2019 WARRANT ARTICLE				
	Water Dept. Asset Management Program	$ 17,026.59		
	Total 2019 Warrant Article		$	17,026.59
2020 WARRANT ARTICLES				
	Contoocook Housing Trust	$ 300.00		
	Contoocook Valley Transportation	$ 500.00		
	Grapevine Family Center	$ 6,000.00		
	American Red Cross	$ 700.00		
	Court Appointed Special Advocates	$ 1,000.00		
	Child Advocacy Center	$ 1,100.00		
	End 68 Hours of Hunger	$ 1,000.00		
	Hundred Nights Shelter	$ 100.00		
	To Address Deferred Road Maintenance	$ 45,000.00		
	Water Dept. Asset Management Program	$ -		
	50% of 2019 Timber Tax Revnues to CC	$ 12,072.00		
	50% of 2019 Gravel Tax Revenues to CC	$ 460.00		
	Total 2020 Warrant Articles		$	68,232.00

SUBTOTAL - 2020 EXPENDITURES & WARRANT ARTICLES		**$ 1,929,043.05**
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS		
Hillsborough County	$ 131,250.00	
Local School Contribution	$ 1,996,829.00	
State School Contribution	$ 232,196.00	
Total Payments to Other Governments		$ 2,360,275.00
TOTAL 2020 EXPENDITURES		**$ 4,289,318.05**

2020 PAYROLL

Colleen Allen		
Whittemore Beach Staffing	$ 180.00	
		$ 180.00
Michael Andersen		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 414.29	
Fire Department	$ 158.12	
		$ 572.41
Zackary Andersen		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 1,242.86	
Fire Department	$ 1,609.06	
Highway Dept. Assistance	$ 195.00	
		$ 3,046.92
Debra Belcher		
Town Clerk	$ 23,120.84	
Cemetery Recording Secretary	$ 95.00	
Planning Board Recording Secretary	$ 500.00	
ZBA Recording Secretary	$ 20.00	
		$ 23,735.84
Karen Belcher		
Deputy Town Clerk	$ 9,047.61	
		$ 9,047.61
David Bell		
Part-Time Police Officer	$ 2,686.72	
		$ 2,686.72
Benjamin Billings		
Transfer Station Attendant	$ 196.00	
		$ 196.00
Matthew Blanchard		
Transfer Station Attendant	$ 1,923.41	
Highway Department Laborer	$ 35,090.10	
Highway Department Overtime	$ 3,227.73	
		$ 40,241.24
Vint Boggis		
Part-Time Police Officer	$ 2,027.05	
		$ 2,027.05
James Cleary		
Selectman	$ 1,500.00	
		$ 1,500.00
Sara Cox		
Transfer Station Attendant	$ 1,734.75	
		$ 1,734.75
Debra Davidson		
Administrative Assistant	$ 40,965.40	
Human Services Director	$ 2,550.00	
		$ 43,515.40

2020 PAYROLL

Rhonda Davie		
Treasurer	$ 3,120.00	
		$ 3,120.00
Christopher Davies		
Highway Driver - Regular	$ 39,132.03	
Highway Driver - Overtime	$ 2,054.17	
Transfer Station Attendant	$ 1,193.92	
Health Insurance Reimbursement	$ 3,631.15	
		$ 46,011.27
Curtis Dude		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 414.29	
Fire Department	$ 438.79	
Transfer Station Attendant	$ 309.72	
		$ 1,162.80
Hazen Fisk, III		
Road Agent - Regular	$ 51,783.21	
Road Agent - Overtime	$ 6,240.40	
		$ 58,023.61
David Foster		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 414.29	
Fire Department	$ 2,256.24	
Selectmen Salary	$ 1,500.00	
		$ 4,170.53
Denise French		
Deputy Town Administrator	$ 15,102.65	
Water Recording Secretary	$ 80.00	
		$ 15,182.65
Brenda Gibbons		
Supervisor of the Checklist Clerical	$ 37.50	
Supervisor of the Checklist Salary	$ 300.00	
Supervisor of the Checklist Conval	$ 75.00	
		$ 412.50
Patrick Greene		
Highway Department Assistance	$ 90.00	
Transfer Station Attendant	$ 3,997.50	
		$ 4,087.50
Bruce Hall		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 414.29	
Fire Department	$ 227.56	
		$ 641.85
Matthew Hall		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 1,242.86	
Fire Department	$ 4,173.39	
		$ 5,416.25

2020 PAYROLL

David Hardwick		
Selectman	$ 1,500.00	
		$ 1,500.00
Theresa Healey		
Crossing Guard	$ 670.00	
		$ 670.00
Thomas Horne		
Part-Time Police Officer	$ 7,130.75	
		$ 7,130.75
Thomas James		
Transfer Station Attendant	$ 15,757.11	
		$ 15,757.11
John Kendall		
Code Enforcement Officer	$ 2,022.50	
		$ 2,022.50
Kristie LaPlante		
Town Administrator Salary	$ 57,932.76	
		$ 57,932.76
Jason Lepine		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 2,485.71	
Police Sergeant	$ 58,494.14	
Overtime	$ 7,422.30	
On-Call	$ 4,226.00	
Special Detail Wages	$ 67.00	
		$ 72,695.15
Leslie MacGregor		
Library Director	$ 51,920.35	
		$ 51,920.35
Mark Mackesy		
Water/Sewer Commissioner	$ 500.00	
		$ 500.00
Brian Mamczak		
Transfer Station Attendant	$ 1,046.50	
		$ 1,046.50
Catherine McGillicuddy		
Part-Time Police Admin	$ 825.02	
		$ 825.02
Dennis McKenney		
Water/Sewer Commissioner	$ 500.00	
		$ 500.00
Lester Milton		
Part-Time Police Officer	$ 24,075.78	
Overtime	$ 327.75	
On-Call	$ 154.00	
Special Detail Wages	$ 752.50	
		$ 25,310.03

2020 PAYROLL

Joyce Miner		
Deputy Treasurer	$ 500.00	
		$ 500.00
Keith Nason		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 1,242.86	
Fire Department	$ 4,233.61	
Emergency Management	$ 3,075.00	
Highway Department Assistance	$ 131.51	
		$ 8,682.98
William OConnor		
Transfer Station Attendant	$ 414.12	
		$ 414.12
David Parker		
Transfer Station Attendant	$ 2,605.09	
Recreation Groundskeeping	$ 3,514.60	
		$ 6,119.69
Scott Plourde		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 414.29	
Fire Department	$ 95.41	
		$ 509.70
Jason Powers		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 1,242.86	
Fire Department	$ 2,188.99	
		$ 3,431.85
Sarah Powers		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 1,242.86	
Fire Department	$ 727.18	
		$ 1,970.04
Rick Reed		
Water/Sewer Commissioner	$ 700.00	
		$ 700.00
Melissa Searles		
Librarian Assistant Salary	$ 27,315.84	
Website Support	$ 750.00	
Supervisor of the Checklist	$ 491.25	
Supervisor of the Checklist Salary	$ 600.00	
Supervisor of the Checklist Conval	$ 75.00	
		$ 29,232.09
Bret Sullivan		
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 2,485.71	
Police Chief	$ 71,406.94	
Overtime	$ 3,433.25	
On-Call	$ 1,439.00	
		$ 78,764.90

2020 PAYROLL

Christine Tarrio			
Part-Time Library Assistance	$ 66.00		
		$	66.00
Victoria Turner			
Supervisor of the Checklist	$ 1,052.50		
Supervisor of the Checklist Salary	$ 600.00		
Supervisor of the Checklist Conval	$ 75.00		
		$	1,727.50
Jill Wilmoth			
Whittemore Beach Staffing	$ 497.50		
		$	497.50
Allan Wilson			
COVID-19 First Responder Stipend	$ 414.29		
Fire Department	$ 350.17		
		$	764.46
Anmarie Wilson			
Crossing Guard	$ 2,091.01		
		$	2,091.01
Total Payroll		**$**	**639,994.91**

Town Of Bennington
Report of the Trustees of Trust Funds
For the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2020

First Deposit	Name of Fund	Purpose of Fund	How Invested	PRINCIPAL			INCOME				TOTAL	Ending Market Value
				Balance Beginning of Year	Additions-Withdraw Gain-Loss	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Net Income	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Principal & Income	
CEMETERY TRUSTS												
1946-1960	Mount Calvary Cemetery	Perpetual Care	Common TF	826.63	-11.53	815.10	502.48	38.96	0.00	541.44	1,356.54	1,463.26
1905-1997	Sunnyside Cemetery	Perpetual Care	Common TF	12,645.80	-132.43	12,513.37	2,620.44	447.71	0.00	3,068.15	15,581.52	16,807.34
1913-2011	Evergreen Cemetery	Perpetual Care	Common TF	16,486.41	-226.47	16,259.94	9,634.91	765.06	0.00	10,399.97	26,659.91	28,757.25
1958	Lizzie Holt Evergreen Cemetery Special Projects	Special Projects	Common TF	33,081.86	-339.79	32,742.07	6,097.18	1,148.52	0.00	7,245.70	39,987.77	43,133.65
2018	David Glynn Estate Evergreen Cemetery Special Projects	Special Projects	Common TF	7,560.92	-68.89	7,492.03	382.69	232.86	0.00	615.55	8,107.58	8,745.41
Total Cemetery Trusts				70,601.62	-779.11	69,822.51	19,237.70	2,633.11	0.00	21,870.81	91,693.32	98,906.91
EXPENDABLE TRUSTS												
2013	Sunnyside Cemetery Expendable Trust	Enhance Sunnyside Cemetery	Common TF	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,326.82	5,302.55	318.08	23,311.29	23,311.29	25,145.22
Total Expendable Trusts				0.00	0.00	0.00	18,326.82	5,302.55	318.08	23,311.29	23,311.29	25,145.22
SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS												
1994	Edward French	Scholarship	Common TF	1,072.91	-16.26	1,056.65	801.91	54.95	0.00	856.86	1,913.51	2,064.05
2010	Bruce Edes	Scholarship	Common TF	35,666.79	-348.46	35,318.33	4,512.37	1,177.85	0.00	5,690.22	41,008.55	44,234.74
Total Scholarship Funds				36,739.70	-364.72	36,374.98	5,314.28	1,232.80	0.00	6,547.08	42,922.06	46,298.79
GENERAL												
2019	Historical Buildings Maintenance (Glynn Trust)-017	Maintenance & Improvement	Common TF	250,225.06	-2,188.19	248,036.87	2,082.38	7,397.02	0.00	9,479.40	257,516.27	277,775.38
2019	Town Square Fund (Glynn Trust)-019	Maintenance & Improvement	Common TF	75,067.53	-1,176.64	73,890.89	624.70	2,214.94	0.00	2,839.64	76,730.53	82,767.01
Total General				325,292.59	-3,364.83	321,927.76	2,707.08	9,611.96	0.00	12,319.04	334,246.80	360,542.39
LIBRARY												
2013	Emma Gipson Trust-027	Library	Common TF	82,279.75	-718.31	81,561.44	545.97	2,428.04	0.00	2,974.01	84,535.45	91,185.95
2013	Bennington Women's Club-028	Library	Common TF	159.44	-1.39	158.05	1.06	4.69	0.00	5.75	163.80	176.69
2018	Dodge Library Books-David Glynn Estate	Purchase of Books	Common TF	50,402.66	-440.01	49,962.65	334.42	1,487.35	0.00	1,821.77	51,784.42	55,858.36
Total Library				132,841.85	-1,159.71	131,682.14	881.45	3,920.08	0.00	4,801.53	136,483.67	147,221.00

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For the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2020

First Deposit	Name of Fund	Purpose of Fund	How Invested	PRINCIPAL			INCOME				TOTAL	Ending Market Value
				Balance Beginning of Year	Additions-Withdraw Gain-Loss	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Net Income	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Principal & Income	
FIRE DEPARTMENT												
1990	Fire Truck-001	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	303,737.45	4,307.30	308,044.75	24,477.56	5,049.15	0.00	29,526.71	337,571.46	372,824.67
1991	Rescue Chassis-005	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	38,945.48	624.50	39,569.98	8,640.51	732.06	0.00	9,372.57	48,942.55	54,053.71
2001	Fire Department Radios-021	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2010	Fire Department SCBA-025	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	3,011.98	41.75	3,053.73	169.05	48.94	0.00	217.99	3,271.72	3,613.39
2013	Fire Department Protective Gear	Equipment	Common CRF	11,610.29	-1,975.69	9,634.60	430.54	180.25	0.00	610.79	10,245.39	11,315.34
	Total Fire Department			357,305.20	2,997.86	360,303.06	33,717.66	6,010.40	0.00	39,728.06	400,031.12	441,807.11
EXPENDABLE TRUSTS												
2014	Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust	Cemetery Maintenance	Common CRF	2,762.99	1,102.25	3,865.24	168.29	61.15	0.00	229.44	4,094.68	4,522.30
	Total Expendable Trusts			2,762.99	1,102.25	3,865.24	168.29	61.15	0.00	229.44	4,094.68	4,522.30
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT												
1991	Highway Heavy Equipment-008	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	171,551.51	-42,286.78	129,264.73	4,361.46	2,601.98	0.00	6,963.44	136,228.17	150,454.74
1997	Mower-010	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	5,919.70	108.15	6,027.85	2,321.27	126.78	0.00	2,448.05	8,475.90	9,361.05
2009	Road Rehabilitation-024	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	59,753.47	793.45	60,546.92	706.88	930.11	0.00	1,636.99	62,183.91	68,677.89
	Total Highway Department			237,224.68	-41,385.18	195,839.50	7,389.61	3,658.87	0.00	11,048.48	206,887.98	228,493.68
GENERAL												
1993	Water Department Maintenance & Repairs CRF-002	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	33,330.01	-3,836.94	29,493.07	9,237.05	644.59	0.00	9,881.64	39,374.71	43,486.69
1994	Dodge Memorial Library-003	Structure Repair & Library Equipment	Common CRF	55,396.85	343.03	55,739.88	497.39	858.95	0.00	1,356.34	57,096.22	63,058.89
1993	Police Cruiser-009	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	10,566.96	140.48	10,707.44	138.13	164.67	0.00	302.80	11,010.24	12,160.06
1997	Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund-011	Expendable Trust	Common CRF	57,010.38	841.53	57,851.91	7,113.72	986.49	0.00	8,100.21	65,952.12	72,839.63
2001	Town Buildings Expendable-012	Expendable Trust	Common CRF	129,891.08	-10,188.31	119,702.77	9,156.33	2,111.00	0.00	11,267.33	130,970.10	144,647.56
2000	Sidewalk Repair-014	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	1,000.08	13.27	1,013.35	10.68	15.55	0.00	26.23	1,039.58	1,148.15
2001	Revaluation-015	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	4,021.75	55.53	4,077.28	209.19	65.09	0.00	274.28	4,351.56	4,806.00
	Total General			291,217.11	-12,631.41	278,585.70	26,362.49	4,846.34	0.00	31,208.83	309,794.53	342,146.98
			GRAND TOTALS:	1,453,985.74	-55,584.85	1,398,400.89	114,105.38	37,277.26	318.08	151,064.56	1,549,465.45	1,695,084.38

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting – December 15, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Selectmen opted for an alternative method to establishing Capital Reserve Fund amounts for 2021. In a typical year, the Capital Reserve Funding Committee meets with Department Heads to discuss future need. This year, however, the Selectmen solicited Capital Reserve Requests from Department Heads prior to scheduling any meetings with the Capital Reserve Funding Committee. Because the requests came in nearly identical to last year and years prior, the Selectmen felt it appropriate to confirm those amounts without increasing any meeting exposures to Capital Reserve Funding Committee members.

The following is a report of 2021 Capital Reserve Fund Allocations:

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Heavy Equipment – Established in 1991 for the *purchase of Highway Heavy Equipment*. The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

In 2018, voters approved the closure of the Loader/Grader Capital Reserve Fund and the monies in that account were deposited in to this account.

Balance as of 12/01/20 - $129,100*

Assets:
New Asset: 2002 John Deere Loader
1989 KME Fire Pumper (to clean culverts)
1990 Galion Grader
2007 International 6-wheel dump truck – *New motor & new dump body in 2020*
2012 Cat Backhoe/Loader
2015 Freightliner 6-wheel dump truck
2016 Ford F350 pickup truck

Appropriation History:
2017 - $ 37,000 (Combined old Loader/Grader + Heavy Equipment)
2018 - $ 37,000 (now just single fund)
2019 - $ 37,000 (now just single fund)
2020 - $ 40,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 40,000

In 2020, a new motor was installed in the 2007 International (insurance claim) and a new dump body was installed. Also, the Selectmen authorized the replacement of the 1982 John Deere 44C Loader and purchased a used 2002 John Deere Loader with 4,000 hours. The full purchase price of the 2002 Loader was withdrawn from Capital Reserve; anticipated revenues from the sale of the 1982 Loader will be recorded as a revenue in the General Fund.

Mower – Established in 1997 for the purpose of a *Highway Department/Recreation Department mower*. The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 - $9,445*

Assets: Mower replaced in 2013

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 1,000
2018 - $ 1,000
2019 - $ 1,000
2020 - $ 1,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 1,000

Road Rehabilitation - Established in 2009 for the *maintenance, construction, reconstruction, or repair of town streets, roads, or traveled ways*. The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 - $66,985*

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 15,000
2018 - $ 15,000
2019 - $ 15,000
2020 - $ 15,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 25,000

Project Plan: Durgin Road is scheduled for repairs in 2021

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Cruiser – Established in 1993 for the *purchase of a police cruiser*. The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 – $20,975*

Assets: 2015 Ford Explorer Cruiser – to be replaced in 2022
2019 Ford Explorer Cruiser

Replacement Plan: The 2013 Cruiser was replaced in 2019 at a cost of $29,255 plus $6,031 to upfit the vehicle with new safety equipment

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 10,000
2018 - $ 10,000
2019 - $ 10,000
2020 - $ 10,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 12,000

WATER DEPARTMENT

Water Department Maintenance & Repairs – Established in 1993 and amended in 2018 for *Water Department maintenance and repairs.* The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 - $64,245*

Assets: Hydrants, mains, valves, water tank, pump house

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 20,500
2018 - $ 0
2019 - $ 25,000
2020 - $ 25,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 25,000

In 2019, the Water Tank was cleaned and the Water Department completed an Asset Management Program.

In late 2020 (has not been completed yet), the alarm communications system at the Water Tank is being replaced/upgraded at a cost of $13,750

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Trucks – Established in 1990 for the *purchase of a replacement fire truck.* The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 - $361,490*

Assets: 1996 Ford Brush Truck
1998 International Tanker
2005 International Fire Engine

Replacement Plan: Engine is scheduled for replacement in 2025

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 20,000
2018 - $ 20,000
2019 - $ 25,000
2020 - $ 25,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 25,000

Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund – Established in 1992 for the *purchase of a Rescue vehicle chassis* and amended in 2019 for replacement of the Rescue Vehicle. The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 - $48,785*

Assets: 2009 Ford F550 Rescue Truck

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 2,500
2018 - $ 0
2019 - $ 0
2020 - $ 2,500
2021 REQUESTED - $ 2,500

Fire Department SCBA – Established in 2010 for *Fire Department Breathing Apparatus.* The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 - $5,260*

Assets: Self Contained Breathing Apparatus

Replacement Plan: The Fire Department has replaced six units since December 2018.

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 2,000
2018 - $ 2,000
2019 - $ 2,000
2020 - $ 2,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 2,000

Fire Department Protective Gear – Established in 2013 for *Fire Department Protective Gear.* The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 – $16,210*

Assets: Fire Gear

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 5,700
2018 - $ 5,700
2019 - $ 5,700
2020 - $ 6,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 6,000

LIBRARY

Dodge Memorial Library – Established in 1994 and amended in 2003 for the purpose for *the repair or replacement of Library equipment and for making renovations and improvements to the GEP Dodge Library*. The Library Trustees are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 - $60,681*

Projects Planned: 2020 – Replaced one computer and installed video doorbell

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 5,000
2018 - $ 5,000
2019 - $ 5,000
2020 - $ 5,000
2021 REQUESTED - $5,000

INFRASTRUCTURE

Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund – Established in 1997 for the *purpose of construction or reconstruction of town bridges*. The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund after a Public Hearing.

In 2018, voters approved the closure of the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund and the monies in that account were deposited in to this account.

Balance as of 12/01/20 – $75,740*

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 0
2018 - $ 0
2019 - $ 10,000
2020 - $ 10,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 10,000

Sidewalk Repair – Established in 2002 for *replacing the Town's sidewalks*. The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 – $2,035*

Assets: Downtown sidewalk project – 2007
Downtown sidewalk project – 2015

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 0
2018 - $ 0
2019 - $ 1,000
2020 - $ 1,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 1,000

Town Buildings Expendable Trust Fund – Established in 1999 for the purpose of *repairing, maintaining, and improving Town buildings*. The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund after a Public Hearing.

Balance as of 12/01/20 - $155,550*

Assets: Town Hall, VFW, Fire Station, HW Garage, Transfer Station, Water Pump House, Buildings at Newhall Field (2 dug outs, "Colonel's Perch", Storage Buildings)

Projects Planned: In 2020, the heaters at the Highway Garage were replaced and necessary safety improvements were made at Town Buildings to remain in compliance with the Department of Labor

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 20,000
2018 - $ 33,000
2019 - $ 30,000
2020 - $ 25,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 25,000

OTHER

Revaluation – Established in 2002 for revaluation costs. The Selectmen are agents to expend from this Fund.

Balance as of 12/01/20 - $14,300*

Assets: Last Reval Completed in 2019 at a total cost of $52,512

Projects Planned: Full Reval in 2019

Appropriation History: 2017 - $ 12,000
2018 - $ 12,000
2019 - $ 0 ($18,250 balance was funded through Operating Budget)
2020 - $ 12,000
2021 REQUESTED - $ 12,000

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristie LaPlante
Town Administrator

2020 Capital Reserve Fund amounts were not deposited by the Trustees of Trust Funds until January 2021. The balance listed below includes the actual amount on 12/01/20 plus the 2020 allocation to be deposited.

GEP DODGE LIBRARY

2 Main Street ~ 7 School Street, Unit 204, Bennington, NH 03442 ~ 603-588-6585
dodgelibrary1@comcast.net & dodgelibrary2@comcast.net
Website: www.dodgelibrary.com ~ online catalog: dodgelibrary.biblionix.com
Facebook Page: GEP Dodge Library - Bennington, NH

2020 started out normally, with only quiet whispers of a new flu strain brewing half a world away. We were too busy to be concerned with it; we were planning the Library's 2020 story times, book groups, programs and activities for the year. In February, there was the sudden news of the virus's aggressive and deadly spread into northern Italy where a group of ConVal choral students and their chaperones were on tour, and among them, were patrons of our Library. We watched the news, stunned as the Italians in quarantine bravely fought the mysterious virus and we wished our patrons a safe and healthy return home. Nestled here in our Monadnock hills, we still felt distant from those terrible events and we did not foresee how quickly that virus would soon affect our communities and change all our lives.

By March, every bit of our daily work and home routines were affected. Suddenly we were not able to interact in person with our families, friends and patrons. Library services and use of the Library building were suspended. How do we continue to best serve our population while keeping that population safe and supported? How do we provide for our patrons who were suddenly isolated? Would our patrons be safe using library materials? How do we abide by the mandated quarantine guidelines?

New policies had to be created and old ones rewritten. We received supportive guidelines and resources through the State of New Hampshire, ALA, NELA, NHLA and our local Nubanusit Library Cooperative. We were reinventing our manner of service; we were all learning and evolving as was our knowledge of the virus. Our suppliers shut down and publications were halted. The NH State Library's inter-library loan services were stopped. Generous museums, zoos and aquariums offered free virtual field trips and daily art and science programming for homebound students and anxious adults. Publishers offered free online full text access to their nonfiction publications and asked us to share them, for free, with teachers, students and their parents. Teachers had to learn an entire new format for teaching and we were eager to share our online resources with them. We became intimate with the terms Zoom, WebEx, document readers, social distancing, quarantine and curbside service. We became familiar with different types of hand sanitizers, disinfectants, Plexiglas and were versed on fomites and the lifespan of the virus on different surfaces. We dreamed of finding a cache of paper towels, Clorox wipes, toilet paper and Kleenex. We settled for no name bleach to disinfect our books and surfaces and bought bins to rotate our quarantining books into. We populated our website with links to health and community resources and we were grateful that our entire collection could be viewed and accessed online so that our patrons could continue to request and receive materials.

Throughout the year we transitioned through various phases; fully open, curbside only, complete lockdown, curbside again, 50% appointment visits, walk-ins, and back to curbside. The line between the phases was blurred and we were disappointed when we realized that a 940 square foot building's 50% capacity is a disappointing four individuals or one family at a time.

While we were in full lock-down, we took advantage of our uninterrupted time to do a complete inventory and shifting of the collection. We edited the catalog and reorganized the portion of the collection located in the basement. It was a huge and time-consuming project, one that we could never have accomplished without that gift of time that the lock-down gave us.

Throughout 2020, no matter what phase of quarantine we were in, our 1,682 Bennington patrons continued to have uninterrupted access to our collection of 28,058 items that includes 3,378 DVDs, 814 sound recordings, 22 music CDs, 24 periodicals and 2 newspapers. Our Library's collection also includes an additional subscription to Tumblebooks, an online collection of 1,046 e-books, which includes animated talking picture books, nonfiction titles, 82 National Geographic videos, 122 language lessons, 125 playlists and 296 games and puzzles. Since the COVID lock-down, Tumblebooks has also offered, for free, their TumbleMath, TumbleAudio Book Cloud, Teen Book Cloud and their TumbleRomance Book Cloud. In addition to our in-house collection, our patrons have access to a rotating DVD collection of 50 and to a STEAM collection shared among the Nubanusit Library Cooperative members. Through our online catalog and a library card, our patrons also have access to the FREE NH Overdrive collection managed by the NH State Library that includes a digital collection of 29,668 e-books, 23,579 e-audio books and 24 e-periodicals and 17 videos.

Six months of planned programing was first rescheduled, and then cancelled, including our Library's own monthly *GEP Talks.* NH Humanities filled some of that void by offering free online programs, sending links so that we could share them with our patrons. We connected with our patrons through our website, Facebook, Instagram, outdoor sign boards and word of mouth. We decorated our library windows with optimistic messages, treasure hunts and seasonal decorations and we provided curbside take and make crafts for our patrons.

Despite having to cancel our many programs, we did have our annual *Summer Reading Program—COVID Style* and all outside! 67 patron readers participated and just as she has done since 1990, Debi Belcher created our summer reading program mascot and delivered it to the Library's lawn over the 4th of July weekend, signaling the start of the summer reading program. We still had our weekly reading incentives, crafts, games and puzzles and we had five weekly story walks located throughout the Town. Masons, Jon Manley and Arthur Dunham from the *Benevolent Lodge #7, Milford, NH and Pacific Lodge #45, Francestown, NH* sponsored their *Masonic Bikes for Books* program and made sure that our summer readers could still be able to compete for a Bike and Helmet. The 2020 winner of the Bike and Helmet was Cody Brown and when Cody discovered that he had won the bike, he asked if his little sister Lyla could receive the bike instead, since he already owned a bike.

We were sad not to have had our pre-school story times, nor the after-school book groups. Our annual Bike Rodeo, Summer field trips, Peep Dioramas, Gingerbread House Workshop and Candy Cane Sled Races were all cancelled. Fortunately, we were able to have Halloween! Thank you, Melissa and Dwayne Searles, Fran Clough and Chris Maple for the excellent spooky decorations and for handing out treats and thank you to Bethany Craig for sharing Recreation's Halloween decorations with the Library.

There were no opportunities for fundraising in 2020 and we hope to resume fund raising efforts in 2021. In 2020 our building funds were depleted for a good cause. We were fortunate to have been given the opportunity, along with the Bennington Congregational Church and the Bennington Historical Society, to contribute to a portion of the Town's brand-new park and gazebo. One of the highlights of our year was to be able to watch that property be transformed from a rough, scrubby property into an open park crowned with the most beautiful gazebo in NH. We look forward to using the gazebo and parking to hold some of our outdoor story times and programs.

This year we appreciate more than ever the communal spirit in Bennington. A great big thank you to our Main Street families: Fraser, Henault and Wilcott, who have cheerfully stuck with us and helped to spread the word about our programs, kept an eye on our wellbeing, the Library building,

the curbside tent and who also shared their front lawns with us for our story walks. Thank you too to Debi Belcher and family, Joe MacGregor, Dwayne Searles, Mike Munhall, Rhonda Davie, Robert Gross, Jon and Robyn Manley, Sandy Cleary and Bethany and Jim Craig. Thank you to our devoted Trustees who despite the radical changes in the way they had to manage their own work and home lives, also kept pace with a new version of Library business.

"In the meantime, there is not an hour to lose. I am about to visit the public library."
— Jules Verne, Journey to the Center of the Earth

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie MacGregor-Director, Melissa Searles- Assistant Director
Jill Wilmoth-Trustee Chair, Molly Eppig-Trustee Treasurer,
Jeannette Regis-Trustee, David McKenzie-Trustee Alternate

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department would like to thank the citizens of Bennington for their continued support. 2020 was a very unique year for everyone, with the rise of COVID-19 prompting stay at home orders, business closures, and remote learning for students. There were many challenges that we all had to face together. The Officers of the Police Department worked very hard throughout the pandemic and resulting State of Emergency to make sure emergency services were not interrupted. I would like to recognize them and thank them for their dedication and professionalism to the Town of Bennington.

In 2020, the Bennington Police Department responded to approximately 2,400 calls for service. Calls for service included crimes reported, arrests, motor vehicle stops, motor vehicle crashes, medical calls, assisting other agencies, death investigations, civil matters, and community caretaking. Arrests consisted of both Misdemeanor and Felony level crimes including crimes involving serious bodily injury.

As in previous years, we continue to see many drug and alcohol offenses to include possession of drugs and DWI. The Bennington Police Department has also responded to, and assisted with overdoses and medical emergencies associated with drug and alcohol use. This area remains one of our top priorities.

This year, one of the Police Departments' main focuses was on child exploitation, abuse, and neglect. These types of cases are extremely sensitive, due to the nature of the offenses. Services provided by the Department of Children Youth and Families (DCYF), Department of Homeland Security, Child Advocacy Centers, and the Internet Crimes Against Children task force (ICAC), are just some of the agencies the Police Department utilize to help thoroughly investigate these types of crimes. In 2020, The Bennington Police Department made arrests in these areas.

2020 presented many challenges for everyone due to the rapidly spreading COVID-19 Pandemic. One of the Bennington Police Department's main objectives moving forward was making sure we are able to provide proper Police coverage in Town should an Officer become sick. We worked closely with the Emergency Management Committee, made sure the Police Department was stocked with masks, hand sanitizer, face shields, and other items needed to clean and disinfect the Office as well as the Police Cruisers. Schedules were adjusted to limit contact between multiple Officers, and a PD Response Guideline was created for Officers to follow when having physical contact with the public. At no time was there an interruption of Police Service to the Town of Bennington, which remains at full capacity. I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their continued support, we appreciate everything you do. As 2021 approaches, myself and the Officers of the Bennington Police Department look forward to serving the community with professionalism and compassion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Bret Sullivan
Sergeant Jason LePine

FIRE DEPARTMENT

During 2020 Bennington Fire and Rescue saw many changes relating to Covid-19 Pandemic protocols, policies, recommendations, and guidelines. The continuous changes caused for a busy and very time-consuming year for all. There were no changes to personnel this year and all Officers remained in place with no changes.

In 2020 Bennington Fire and Rescue responded to a total of 198 emergency calls – down from 208 in 2019, with 135 of them being medically based versus 132 in 2019.

Although 2020 created a new sense of the unknown and many new challenges for us all, the Fire Department and Rescue have been in full operation all year without any interruption to residents and have continued to assist our neighboring communities. We are following all recommended guidance and working hard to serve our Community to the best of our ability. We continued with all preventative maintenance on our equipment and vehicles to protect the Town and our assets.

If you are planning to burn brush, please contact the Warden or one of the Deputy Wardens for a Burn Permit or you can obtain one online at: https://nhdflweb.sovsportsnet.net.

Lastly, please take the time to make sure that you have large and reflective numbers on both sides of your mailbox and on your residence if your house can be seen from the road. If you live in an apartment, please also have your apartment identified as this will enable emergency services to locate your home quickly in the case of an emergency. If you need assistance, please contact either the Fire Department or the Town Office and somebody from the Fire Department will happily assist you with this important task.

The entire Fire Department membership would like to thank the residents of Bennington for their continued support of the Fire Department.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Foster, Fire Chief
Matt Hall, Deputy Fire Chief
Keith Nason, Deputy Fire Chief
Jason Powers, Rescue Captain
Zachary Andersen, Fire Lieutenant

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Bennington Emergency Management has had an extremely eventful year serving the Community. Director Keith Nason, Deputy Director Kristie LaPlante and Specialist Jason Powers were activated under the Governor's State of Emergency Orders in March due to the Covid-19 Pandemic which continues to date. In addition to working on the Covid-19 related items the Team also kept an eye on weather and security related issues.

During 2020, the Emergency Management Team continued to work with and support the Police and Fire Departments. Monthly meetings have continued with members of each agency and school faculty to provide the safest possible environment for the students and teachers at Pierce School. Many members of Bennington Fire, Rescue and Police completed the practical certification class for EMS in The Warm Zone with Antrim Fire, Ambulance and Police, New Hampshire State Police and the New Hampshire Fire Academy at Great Brook School in late February.

In March Emergency Management became extremely busy when the Governor declared a State of Emergency in which we are still under today. Under the State of Emergency, our Emergency Management Team has been extremely busy following guidance from the Governor's Office, Health & Human Services, Attorney General's Office, CDC, local medical control (MCH) and several other agencies. For several months we spent hours each day on conference calls which became more manageable by early summer with only a few per week. Our Team has worked to guide and, in some cases, enforce the Governor's Orders with all local businesses while assisting our local residents with any needs. 2020 was a very challenging and tiring time for our Team but with the support we received from the Fire & Police Departments and the Board of Selectmen we have pulled through it and become much stronger for our residents.

Keeping our residents and our employees safe have been one of our top priorities. I receive a confidential daily listing of all positive cases within Bennington so I am able to keep tabs on individuals who may need assistance while following trends and watching statistics. Bennington Emergency Management has been successfully completing weekly Covid-19 rapid testing for all Town public safety employees who want it which allows us to protect the Community at a greater level.

During 2020 we worked very hard to obtain Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) worth tens of thousands of dollars, at no charge to the Town, which is used to keep both first responders as well as Towns' people protected and safe. The PPE has been used by all Town Departments as well as local businesses. Obtaining PPE was very time consuming and challenging at the beginning of the Pandemic but has eased over time. We are optimistic that we will continue to be well positioned with our supply and will continue to receive most of our supplies at no cost to the Town while we remain under this State of Emergency.

During these hard times we ask that you reach out if you are in need, help your friends and neighbors and please follow all local, state and federal guidance. Follow Bennington Emergency Management on Facebook and download the State of NH's ReadyNH app for your mobile phone. Please remember if you "See Something, Say Something".

As we continue to enhance our Community involvement and education, we are encouraging anyone with comments, questions or ideas to contact us. Calls can be made to the Town Office during normal business hours or through Southwest Fire Mutual Aid or Hillsboro Police Dispatch after hours. We also welcome emails anytime which can be sent to Director Nason at keith.nason@townofbennington.com or Deputy Director LaPlante at klaplante@townofbennington.com.

Respectfully Submitted,

Keith Nason, EMD
Kristie LaPlante, Deputy EMD

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

2020 proved to be a very challenging year. The Department had many things thrown our way. From being down a front-line piece of equipment most of the winter to the challenges of staffing issues due to remote learning brought on by the Pandemic. While facing these challenges the Department was able to continue to provide the services the residents of Bennington have entrusted us to perform to provide safe roads for the motoring public.

The Highway Department also saw staffing changes this past year. The Highway Department now shares an employee with the Transfer Station. The shared position provides for two regular employees to be working the Transfer Station and then working for the Highway Department three days per week. This shared position did not bring about the addition of a new full-time employee but rather the change of scheduling in an already existing position within the Highway Department.

The winter season started with us losing one of our main pieces of snow removal equipment. Many may not know that due to no fault of the Town or Highway Department the 2007 International had a catastrophic engine failure. This failure was due to outside vendor supply issues. We are very fortunate in that the insurance company paid for the repairs which consisted of replacement of the engine with a factory rebuilt engine. After careful inspection of the truck, and because of the very low mileage on the vehicle the decision was made to replace the dump body with a new four-season body thereby avoiding a costly complete truck replacement. With the work that has been completed on the vehicle it should serve the Town well for many more years to come. The Town was also able to replace the Highway Department's 1982 John Deere front-end loader with a "new" 2002 John Deere 544H model front-end loader. The replacement machine comes to us with very low hours and should serve us well.

The Highway Department accomplished quite a bit of road side ditching this past summer. We started with Gillis Hill Road by redefining all the ditch lines, as well as cleaning out the inlets and outlets of culverts. We installed new culverts in problem areas then added trap stone to help prevent washouts and erosion. Next was Old Stagecoach Road, followed by Dodge Hill Road and Larkin Road. We installed erosion control on these roads as well as cleaned out culvert inlets and outlets. Lastly, we cleaned the culvert inlet and outlets on Pierce Hill Road and added stone to the inlets and outlets as well as along the shoulders to help prevent erosion.

The Highway Department was able to do paving as well as pavement preservation work during the summer and fall. The top coat of asphalt was applied to Onset Road by Advanced Excavating and Paving to complete the road rebuild project. The pavement preservation project was to chip seal several roads in Town that had previously been paved. This process extends the life to the pavement by adding oils back into the asphalt and topping the oil with 3/8" chip stone giving us an additional wearing surface. The roads that were chip sealed in 2020 were Dodge Road, Eaton Avenue, Starrett Road, and Balch Farm.

Fall brought about flushing of culverts to prevent water from overtopping the roadway due to blocked culverts; final road grading and the addition of dust control materials. Trucks were prepared for winter. Plows were checked for any needed repairs and then painted to protect them during winter operations. The trucks were pressure washed and had a rust prevention coating applied to them to help extend their service life.

2021 will bring about more ditching of Town roads to promote better drainage, road repairs, and culvert replacements to help extend the life span of the Town roads. We will be looking to crack seal, and to do more chip seal work on Town roads as well. Planned brush cutting will get sun

light onto the roads allowing us to hopefully use fewer deicing materials during the winter. This also improves visibility for the motoring public.

In closing I would like to thank Chris Davies and Matt Blanchard for all their hard work this past year. I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, and the residents of Bennington for their continued support. I look forward to serving the Town of Bennington for many years to come. If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact us at the Highway Department at 588-2660 or hfisk@townofbennington.com.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hazen Fisk III, Road Agent

TRANSFER STATION

The Transfer Station saw many changes during 2020. The first and biggest challenge we had to face was the challenges of the Covid-19 Pandemic and how to keep the attendants and residents safe. As many know the initial decision was made to stop recycling and close the swap shop. Once we had a handle on the operational plan, we were able to resume recycling. First was to set up a temporary area for recycling, and then to move back to normal operations of recycling. While the swap shop is still closed, we will be monitoring the situation and making the changes needed to keep everyone safe.

The next big change to the Transfer Station is the shared employment position between the Highway Department and the Transfer Station. This position is not a new hire but rather an existing Town employee who now splits the work week between the two Departments. This allows us to have continuity from week to week without frequently tapping into our part-time backup personnel for weekly as-needed coverage.

Another big change is the requirement of mask wearing while using the Transfer Station. We ask that you continue to wear your masks while utilizing the Transfer Station. This small action will help prevent the spread of Covid, protect the employees, and the residents of Bennington. We closely monitor the State guidance and will make the necessary changes to the requirement as needed.

There have been a few price adjustments to the Disposal Fee Schedule. These increases are necessary to help cover the cost of the disposal of these items. If you would like a copy of the disposal fees, they are available at the Transfer Station during normal business hours.

In 2020 the Transfer station took in 440.15 tons of household solid waste, 83.25 tons of demolition materials, 45.89 tons of mixed paper, 3.43 tons of plastics, 1.47 tons of aluminum cans, 4.89 tons of tin cans, 11.69 tons of glass, and lastly 31.51 tons of scrap metal.

In closing I would like to thank Tom James, Chris Davies, Patrick Green, David Parker and Sarah Cox for all their hard work this past year. 2020 proved to be a challenging one.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hazen Fisk III,
Solid Waste Supervisor

HOURS OF OPERATION

Wednesday	1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

2020 brought to an end the dedicated work of Valerie Germain as a member and Chair of the Conservation Commission. Val was a driving force in the creation of our Annual Earth Day Cleanup, instrumental in the development of the Bruce Edes Forest as a valuable Town resource, and the coordinator of the collaboration with the Francestown Land Trust in the acquisition of the Samuel's Forest. As a teacher, she led the Commission's outreach to young people over the years, as well as bringing Pierce School students to the Forest regularly. And, the Town's Natural Resource Inventory would not have happened without Val's leadership. Val's passion for natural resources and her Town will be missed.

While the COVID Pandemic reduced the face-to-face interaction of Commissioners this year, it did not stop our activity to any great extent. Our monthly meetings were held on ZOOM. When we had to cancel the annual Earth Day Cleanup, as an alternative, we sponsored a contest for Town school children to design a poster to encourage keeping the Town clean. Pierce School 4th grader, Emmitt Allen, designed what turned out to be a very effective poster that received popular acclaim. Eagle Scout, Danny Veverka of Hancock, has made the Forest the focus of his Eagle Scout Project by designing and building a terrific new kiosk for the Forest that is located at the Depot. The remainder of his project, feature identification, will be completed in early 2021. We had two visits to Town by Mike Gagnon, Hillsborough County Forester. His input on the Forest and property on Old Stagecoach Road was most helpful and initiated what will be an ongoing relationship. One of Mr. Gagnon's suggestions was replacing some of the benches in the Forest. Our resident carpenter, Steve Willette, built four amazing "Leopold Benches" that are now in the Forest for visitors to use and enjoy the woods and the river. A generous Town resident, knowing that we were trying to keep the Forest in good shape, donated a Stihl leaf blower to the Commission. We took advantage of the low river level this summer and removed several huge trees that had fallen into the Contoocook River. The Monadnock Paper Mill was the gracious financier of the removal of the largest of the trees. Another Town entity that has brought enrichment to the Forest is the Dodge Library. Each month, Librarian Leslie MacGregor set up a new "Story Walk" for youngsters to read and follow as they hiked through the woods. While the repainting of the old Depot has been put on hold, we are hoping to see that completed in the coming year. Everyone can also now follow the Conservation Commission on Facebook and Instagram.

As the Pandemic hopefully withdraws from our lives, the Commission looks forward to reinstituting our Earth Day Cleanup in May, our River Paddle in June, and sending two Town youngsters to The Harris Center camps in July.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Munhall, Chair

PLANNING BOARD

In New Hampshire, the Planning Board has several functions. The first, as implied by the name, is planning. This mainly consists of writing or updating the Master Plan and the Capital Improvement Program. This process begins with surveying the population of the Town. The Master Plan was not updated in 2020. The Board's adjudicative functions include regulation of land subdivisions, review of site plans, and regulation of excavations. Legislative functions include recommendation of changes to the Zoning Ordinance, which take the form of proposed Warrant Articles for voter approval.

The Board proposed a single Warrant Article regarding the Zoning Ordinance for the 2020 Town Meeting. This proposed update of the Bennington Zoning Ordinance reformats (i.e., "cleans up") the document for consistency, corrects typographical errors, and makes minor language changes for clarification. It makes no changes to any zoning regulations. Most of the work involved regularizing the numbering/lettering and positioning of headings and subsections so that each of Ordinance's 20 Articles (Chapters) has the same organization, spacing, and paragraph indentations, making the document easier to read and search. The Warrant Article was passed by the voters at the 2020 Town Meeting. No Warrant Articles were proposed for the 2021 Town Meeting.

In February the Planning Board considered an application filed by Attorney James Callahan, acting as Agent for Bridge Street Recovery, LLC, to revoke the September 13, 2010 subdivision of Tax Map 13, Lot 14, formerly known as the Highlander Inn. The Board approved the application, which terminated the condominium status for the property and reclassified it as a single entity.

In June, the Board considered the application of Dennis McKenney, Agent for Cold Springs Land Trust, for adjustment of the lot lines between lot 34B and lots 34A, 34, and 35 on Tax Map 17. The application was approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

David McKenzie, Chair
Sam Cohen, Vice Chair
David Hardwick, *ex-officio*
Luke Hardwick
Donald Trow

BUILDING INSPECTOR / CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

This was a very strange year. While the Pandemic took hold and quarantines and travel bans took effect, people were confined to their homes and discovering building projects to occupy their time. New Hampshire allows homeowners to do their own electrical, plumbing and mechanical work as long as it is their primary residence. So as the building industry is feeling the effects of material shortage, contractor shortage and shutdowns, my job as Bennington's Building Inspector got busier, more demanding and definitely more challenging. These home jobs still required permits and inspections.

We had a total of 52 permits in 2020. There were three permits for new homes. The Bridge Street Recovery Center is well under way and construction has begun. Crotched Mountain Ski & Ride has had an increased number of challenges due to COVID-19. This has kept me very busy.

I look forward to continuing the various duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Town and am available to assist residents any time by calling 603-562-6363.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Kendall, Building Inspector
Code Enforcement Officer

HUMAN SERVICES

The Office of Human Services exists to meet the Town of Bennington's responsibility as outlined in RSA 165, which states "Whenever a person in any town is poor and unable to support himself, he shall be relieved and maintained by the overseer of public welfare of such town."

The Office also will advocate for those having trouble negotiating the process of applying for programs which may reduce the Town's financial involvement. I am available to assist in searching for more affordable housing, job searches and more. Applicants are held accountable in utilizing the skills they have to produce positive results. Budgeting and education of programs are also available; if assistance in these areas is needed contact the Office of Human Services.

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance some great resources can be located through the following organizations:

Contooocook Valley Transportation – 1-877-428-2882
Grapevine – 588-2620
Home Health Care Hospice & Community Services – 532-8353
Meals on Wheels – 352-2253
NH Community Resources – 2-1-1
NH Department of Health and Human Services - 1-844-ASK-DHHS (275-3447)
Salvation Army – 588-2189
Southern NH Services - 924-2243
The River Center – 924-6800

With the COVID-19 Pandemic, Bennington residents required a very limited amount of support. We are very fortunate to have a variety of programs, individuals and groups that helped those that did need assistance. If you are interested in finding out more about how you can help, please contact the Human Services Office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra Davidson
Human Services Director

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Facebook: Bennington Rec Committee

The Bennington Recreation Committee is charged with organizing programs and events for residents year-round. Many of the events hosted by the Recreation Committee are free to participants. The Recreation Committee also sponsors outside groups who may charge a fee for membership and/or services.

Ongoing programs include ConVal Martial Arts, 4-H, and Girl Scouts. These programs meet in the Town Hall gymnasium and are open to both residents and non-residents. Membership fees are charged for participation in these programs. New members are welcome at any time throughout the year.

- 4-H: STEAM Engines Club - Thursday Mornings, Bennington 4-H Club - Days & Times Vary
- ConVal Martial Arts: Mondays at 5:15pm
- Girl Scouts: Sundays at 3:00pm

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, most of the Recreation Committee's annual events were canceled including the children's Easter Celebration, the Andy Mackenzie Fishing Derby hosted by the Bennington Sportsmen's Club, the Bennington Rhubarb Festival, the combined Halloween party with the GEP Dodge Library, and the Christmas festivities that typically include the Bennington Congregational Church's Nativity Play.

Although the Andy Mackenzie Fishing Derby held annually at Cold Spring Pond in late April was canceled, the pond was stocked with fish and was open for youth fishermen.

Whittemore Beach was staffed with part-time beach attendants to keep up with beach maintenance. There were no lifeguards; the Highway Department did not put out the raft. Staff are charged with light maintenance work including litter removal, raking, and overall upkeep of the beach area. Given the significant savings in staff payroll, the Recreation Committee replaced the buoys and ropes, as well as the lifeguard stand which were all in disrepair.

In lieu of an in-person event, the Bennington Rhubarb Festival went virtual. Community members submitted photos for various rhubarb contests through the Festival's Facebook page which were then displayed on the GEP Dodge Library lawn.

Although the town-wide Christmas event was canceled, the Lighted Truck & Tractor Parade was still held on December 6th with 14 participants, our largest parade to date!

The Recreation Committee thanks the volunteers who make recreation activities in Bennington possible. New ideas and programs are always welcome. We look forward to gathering as a Community again in 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bethany & Jim Craig
Recreation Committee Co-Chairs

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

To say that 2020 was a busy year for elections is no exaggeration. I will describe it with a few numbers, and then try to go beyond the numbers to describe what an election is like from the inside. Let me also encourage anyone who is concerned about the integrity of our elections to exercise your concerns (and your curiosity) by going to the source: ask an Election Official. Elections are what we do! Moreover, we encourage you to participate in our democracy: run for office, volunteer as a poll worker, help us count votes when the polls close. Call the Town Hall at 588-2189 to find out when and how to get involved.

As of this writing, there are 1150 registered voters in Bennington: 334 Democrats, 355 Republicans, and 461 "Undeclareds". However, at the end of Election Day on November 3, 2020 we had 1204 voters. Where did all those voters go? The explanation is simple: Because we have Same Day Registration in New Hampshire, some 50 voters who were on our Checklist have moved and re-registered in other towns. When voters register using Same Day Registration, their data gets entered into the Statewide Checklist by local Election Officials (we call them Supervisors of the Checklist), and the voters' records are transferred to the town where the voters now reside. We are trained to be very careful to enter data correctly, including birth dates and full middle names, to avoid creating duplicate records.

We are also informed by the "New Hampshire Vital Records Information Network" (NHVRIN) about voters in our town who have died recently.

When there is a busy election year, there is a great deal of activity from Same Day Registration. Particularly in Presidential Primary years, when we have four elections, we will see a large number of new registrations. Part of this is young and first-time voters, and part of this is infrequent voters who like to participate in presidential elections but don't tend to participate in local elections as much. To clarify this, we can add up all four elections to see how many voter registrations we had in 2020:

From Jan 1 to Dec 31, 2020, we had 185 new registrations, or around 16% of our checklist! Of those, the majority (146) were Same Day registrations, (38) were voters who registered with the Town Clerk or with the Supervisors of the Checklist on other days, and (1) was an absentee registration. Most of those Same Day Registrations came in during the February Presidential Primary and the November General Election.

Another notable statistic was the number of absentee voters in Bennington in 2020. Our Town Election narrowly missed the Governor's stay-at-home order of mid-March; our next two elections took place under the unusual conditions imposed upon us by a virus. Our systems were tested, and we all learned a lot. The Secretary of State formed a Select Committee on Elections to determine how to allocate federal funding designated to help with elections during the Pandemic. Meetings were held throughout the month of May via Zoom, which many Election Officials and citizens throughout the State attended, including this author, and your Town Clerk, Debra Belcher.

What became clear during these meetings was that there are areas of New Hampshire's election system that are antiquated, and could use updating. What was also clear is that Election Officials throughout the state care deeply about how our elections run. Obviously, not everything could be perfected in the short time frame that we had before the September Primary. But we all put our shoulders to the wheel and put in the time to make sure that our elections ran well and correctly.

In Bennington, the Supervisors held extra sessions at the Transfer Station and went door to door to give people the opportunity to register ahead of time and get their absentee ballot applications.

Election Officials met to plan how to run the elections safely. Prior to the General Election, we all met to pre-process absentee ballots so that we would not be overwhelmed with that task during the actual election day.

We want to thank all of the voters who planned ahead and opted to vote absentee: your thoughtfulness allowed us to reduce the numbers of people at the polls, so that we could keep both poll workers and voters safe. We also thank the vast majority of voters, who willingly came to the polls wearing masks and did not question our requirement that voters wear masks, respectful of common sense and CDC guidelines.

For the September Primary, we had a total of 335 voters: 91 of those, or 27%, were absentee voters. Of those absentee voters, 32% were Republican, and 68% were Democrat. We can assume that those percentages are similar for the General Election. However, since voters don't declare a party in the General Election, there is no way to determine those percentages exactly. Similar ratios have been observed nationwide: more Democrats voted absentee than Republicans. We had 839 voters in the General Election, of whom 169 were absentee voters, or 20%.

I wish to conclude by touching briefly on the words "voter fraud", which have been bandied about a lot recently. I spent countless hours working on and talking to people about elections, and specifically, how we could make sure that those elections run smoothly and with integrity. I have been an Election Official since 1994, but have mainly done my job with a very small focus: the Town of Bennington. What those Zoom meetings taught me is that there are Election Officials throughout the State of New Hampshire who, regardless of their political beliefs or their party affiliation, care deeply about the integrity of elections and the right of every citizen to have their vote count.

Expand that focus a little farther, and I know that Election Officials throughout this country were facing similar challenges that we did, and put their shoulders to the wheel, just as we did, to make sure that their local elections ran smoothly and with integrity. If you doubt that, then I suggest that you sit down with someone who is actually doing the work of running elections and ask them some questions. Better yet, get involved: run for office, volunteer for a town committee, help us count votes at the end of a very long day.

We look forward to seeing you in person at the polls in 2021! Until then, stay healthy. Make good use of your time!

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria Turner, Chair

The Supervisors of the Checklist extend our sincerest Thanks to all of our Election workers:

Brenda Gibbons
Thoa Turner
John Cronin
Debra Page
Debra Davidson
Melissa Searles
Debra Belcher
Bethany Craig
Barbara Goodwin
Mike Munhall
Karen Belcher
Leslie MacGregor
Rhonda Davie

WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS

In a year shaped by the devastating COVID-19 Pandemic, the Bennington Water and Sewer Departments ran smoothly. With the exception of our monthly meetings going virtual our operations were unaffected.

Following a complete rate study in 2019, effective January 1, 2020, our revised water and sewer rates went in to effect. Every account has a minimum monthly charge plus a per gallon usage charge. Our goal is to incrementally and responsibly increase our water and sewer rates to reduce funding coming from Town taxation.

In 2019, work was done to complete an Asset Management Plan for our Water assets. During 2020, work was done to substantially complete an Asset Management Plan for our Sewer assets. This Plan will provide a sensible management tool to ensure a best practices approach to operations. The Sewer Asset Management Plan should be completed by spring 2021.

We are fortunate to have Antrim Water and Sewer as our partner in maintaining our drinking water and sewer system. Antrim Water and Sewer Department oversee the operation and perform maintenance on our Water and Sewer systems on an hourly basis. Superintendent Matt Miller and his assistant Zack Anderson provide us an invaluable service to our community.

On the Water side of operations, Antrim exercises and inspects 25% of our fire hydrants and gate valves each year, reads and maintains our water meters, responds to alarms, water leaks, and power outages 24/7, performs monthly and quarterly water testing, and manages our Asset Management Plan. When maintenance is required, our Antrim partners complete the task and coordinate resources as needed.

Our water comes from a gravel packed well supplied by ground water located off of Bible Hill Road; this past year we pumped 24,269,000 gallons from our well to satisfy the Town's need. We are billed quarterly for the Operations and Maintenance of our water system. The Bennington and Antrim water systems are linked together to provide a backup water supply for each Community.

On the Sewer side of operations, Antrim inspects our Sewer Pump Station daily and provides maintenance as needed, maintains and repairs our sewer manholes, and provide other sewer system services as needed.

Our sewer is collected at the Starrett Road Pump Station and force pumped to the Antrim Waste Water Treatment Facility; this past year we pumped 6,481,673 gallons of sewage to Antrim for processing. We are billed quarterly for operations, maintenance, and sewer gallons treated.

Our water and sewer systems are monitored by a series of telemetry controls to ensure optimal operation. In late 2020 we were required to upgrade our monitoring systems from analog copper telephone wires to a cell-based digital system. This new monitoring system was installed in December and allows our Operators to receive alarms and notifications on their smart phone, tablet, or computer and allows them to remotely operate portions of the system as well.

With more regulation expected in the future, it is critical that we remain compliant with those regulations while delivering our customers high quality drinking water and a sewer system that is efficient, cost-effective, and helps protect our environment.

The Bennington Water and Sewer Commissioners thank Town Administrator Kristie LaPlante, her staff, and our partners from Antrim Water and Sewer Departments for shouldering the burden of operating our systems; they make it all work for the benefit of us all. THANK YOU for a job well done!

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Reed, Chair
Dennis McKenney
Mark Mackesy

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

This year has been a quiet year in our two cemeteries, Evergreen Cemetery and Sunnyside Cemetery. Both Town Cemeteries are in excellent condition and we are working to keep them that way. Our Cemeteries include markers for Veterans of most wars starting with the Revolutionary War and are an important part of Bennington's history. Please continue to help us keep our Cemeteries as sacred sites that continue to honor the departed.

During the year, the Trustees have had several opportunities to work in the Cemeteries to clean some of the older markers. We have observed the work of some good Samaritans who have tried to clean several markers. Markers can be damaged easily without proper cleaning techniques. If you would like to learn how to clean and maintain your marker, we ask that you contact the Cemetery Trustees and we will train you in techniques that will not cause long term damage.

In this next year, we hope to move forward with a fencing project in Sunnyside Cemetery as the fencing is in need of repairs and replacement in several sections. Another project will be tree maintenance.

We would like to thank George Chicoine for his dedication and care of our Cemeteries.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joshua Segal, Chairman
Karen Belcher
Melissa Clark
Bethany Craig, Alternate

BENNINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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The Bennington Historical Society had an awesome 2020. Looking back into the 2019 Town Report, the Society was focusing on designing and planning to build a gazebo after purchasing property. This year, 2020, we are pleased to report it is just about completed. Between the Society raising money and gifts from David Glynn and Pearl Walker it was decided to go forward with building the gazebo. We are appreciative of their gifts; both David and Pearl would have been thrilled to be here to assist with the project even though they will always be a part of it. Thank you to R.J. McClure, Builder and employee, Shawn Girard for the extra assistance they gave the Society throughout construction of the gazebo. The Society is in hopes that the Town is pleased and proud of the gazebo. It is a beautiful addition to the Town and will be shared by all. Once completed the Society is in hopes to have a dedication and celebration.

There are still bricks available at $50.00 each; the purchaser chooses the inscription etched on the brick. Installation of the bricks will continue this spring.

After 36 years of shingles on the Historical Society building and years of ice building up on the roofs each winter and being a hazard, it was decided to replace the roof with metal shingles. This job was done by Frank B. Iberger (FBI) Contracting LLC. Hopefully we will not have to worry about roofing for many, many years.

The Historical Society sadly lost a very special friend, member and volunteer this past October. We miss Mary Ellen Lindsay and love her a lot.

Due to the Coronavirus the Society did not host any programs and was not opened through the summer and fall. We are hopeful programs can be continued and the museum reopened.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra Cleary
Linda Delay

BENNINGTON ENERGY COMMITTEE

The Bennington Energy Committee (BEC) was established in 2010 with the charge to help the Town find ways to save energy and thereby save money. A secondary objective is to help the Town's residents save energy. The vision of the BEC has been to find ways for the Town to cut energy costs by 50% by 2020. The BEC will examine all aspects of Town energy use, including both indoor and outdoor usage.

There are two possible routes to saving money with solar power. The first is for the Town to have a solar array to supply power to Town buildings and to use net metering to return excess generated energy to the energy supplier (currently Eversource). The Committee has been unable to identify a site suitable for this approach. The second possibility is for the Town to lease a "brown field" such as the capped landfill to a company that will build a solar array and supply power to the utility. The Town would derive revenue both from the lease and from property tax on the installed solar array. Several energy suppliers expressed some interest in this approach at a Brightfields event in the summer of 2019. However, this interest might have waned because the State failed to increase the maximum megawattage from such arrays. The Energy Committee met only once in 2020, in January, because of the COVID-19 Pandemic, but will continue to pursue this option when it is once again safe to meet.

Respectfully Submitted,

Molly Eppig
Peter Eppig
David McKenzie

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020

-- BENNINGTON --

Person A's Name and Residence	Person B's Name and Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
LEBLANC, JOHNATHAN D BENNINGTON, NH	PALMER, ROBYN E BENNINGTON, NH	BENNINGTON	BENNINGTON	06/27/2020
DUVAL, REBECCA M DEERING, NH	PICKNELL, CODY A BENNINGTON, NH	HILLSBOROUGH	HILLSBOROUGH	07/13/2020
BLANCHARD, MATTHEW D BENNINGTON, NH	MURRAY, JODI L BENNINGTON, NH	BENNINGTON	PETERBOROUGH	07/17/2020
SWEENEY, JEFFREY S BENNINGTON, NH	WOODWORTH, HANNAH M BENNINGTON, NH	BENNINGTON	PETERBOROUGH	07/31/2020
GERSHFIELD, CHARLES A BENNINGTON, NH	CHATFIELD, HAZEL D BENNINGTON, NH	BENNINGTON	MADBURY	08/01/2020
SENESCHAL, JAMIE S BENNINGTON, NH	GAUDET, JULIA C BENNINGTON, NH	BENNINGTON	FRANCESTOWN	08/29/2020
MEATTEY, MATTHEW T BENNINGTON, NH	KNIGHT, MERAYA A BENNINGTON, NH	BENNINGTON	WALPOLE	10/02/2020
ATTRIDGE, TIMOTHY J BENNINGTON, NH	ATTRIDGE, ANGELA M BENNINGTON, NH	BENNINGTON	BENNINGTON	10/10/2020
CLARK, RONALD E BENNINGTON, NH	STARKWEATHER, LISA M BENNINGTON, NH	BENNINGTON	BENNINGTON	10/31/2020

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RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

01/01/2020-12/31/2020

--BENNINGTON--

Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's/Partner's Name	Mother's Name
EVANS, ANGELO VIATEUR FRANCIS	03/10/2020	PETERBOROUGH,NH	EVANS, TAVORE	ELLIOTT, ANGELA
MARTIN, FYNN ALEXANDER	05/13/2020	PETERBOROUGH,NH	MARTIN, RYAN	GREENE, ELIZABETH
LARAWAY, ROWEN JEAN	05/26/2020	MANCHESTER,NH		LARAWAY, CHRISTINA
LARAWAY, RHEGAN AMELIA	05/26/2020	MANCHESTER,NH		LARAWAY, CHRISTINA
PRINCE, ELIAS JOSEPH	05/28/2020	NASHUA,NH	PRINCE, GREGORY	PRINCE, VICTORIA
TROW, GABRIEL LEE	08/09/2020	PETERBOROUGH,NH	TROW, DANIEL	DESROSIERS, JAYLYN
TILTON, VIVIANNE GRACE	08/25/2020	PETERBOROUGH,NH		TILTON, DESTINY
STOCK, AVONLEA BRAVE	10/01/2020	NASHUA,NH	STOCK, DEREK	STOCK, ABIGAIL
CLARK, MIA JANE	10/11/2020	PETERBOROUGH,NH	CLARK, ANDREW	CLARK, SAMANTHA

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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT
01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020
--BENNINGTON, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union	Military
DALTON, FRANKLIN DELANO	02/02/2020	CONCORD	DALTON, LAWRENCE	CONLLEY, JESSIE	Y
CLOW, WILLIAM HENRY	02/04/2020	CONCORD	CLOW SR, HOWARD	VAILLANCOURT, JEANNETTE	Y
HUOT, JOSEPH ALBERT	04/22/2020	MANCHESTER	HUOT, JOSEPH	LEMAIRE, ALBERTINE	Y
WHITNEY, PAUL E	05/07/2020	KEENE	WHITNEY, ERNEST	CLEGG, EMILY	N
HOLDEN JR, ARTHUR RUSSELL	05/14/2020	BENNINGTON	HOLDEN SR, ARTHUR	WHEELER, KATHERINE	Y
LARAWAY, ROWEN JEAN	05/26/2020	MANCHESTER	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	LARAWAY, CHRISTINA	N
PELLETIER SR, EDWARD JOSEPH	06/01/2020	PETERBOROUGH	PELLETIER SR, JULES	PRUNEAU, ELEONORE	Y
LARAWAY, RHEGAN A	06/04/2020	CONCORD	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	LARAWAY, CHRISTINA	N
BEETCHER, FRED JOHN	07/05/2020	BENNINGTON	BEETCHER, FREDERICK	ANDERSON, BETTY	Y
LINDSAY, MARY ELLEN	10/08/2020	BENNINGTON	ROBERTSON, HAROLD	BROOKS, HELEN	N
MINER, ZELLA FRANCIS	11/26/2020	MERRIMACK	DILLION, DORSEY	ADKINS, VIRGINIA	N

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David A. Glynn

David A. Glynn, a lifelong resident of Bennington, was dedicated to preservation of photographs and artifacts of his beloved Town. He was the founder and historian of the Bennington Historical Society and was a wealth of information. Upon David's passing it became evident how passionate he was about his hometown. He bequeathed money to the Town for the benefit of the GEP Dodge Library, Town Hall, Sunnyside Cemetery, Evergreen Cemetery, and the Common. Additionally, Mr. Glynn provided gifts to the Historical Society and the Bennington Congregational Church. His legacies for the future of Bennington are everlasting.

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